

# Banana/Bandana Skit #1, a skit for staff

*	A person and a “goon” show two items that are very helpful to have when a person goes camping. (Note: the term “goon” is used so that there is absolutely no correlation between this person and someone who has a disability, someone of a particular ethnicity etc. A “goon” becomes a cross between an ape and a person that just doesn’t get it very well and who has wonderful facial expressions that are done slowly and are held for quite a while.)
**	Props needed are one banana and one clean bandana.
***	The person introduces the skit with something similar to the following:
1	<b>“Hello everyone! My friend, Goon, and I have been asked to clearly show you two very helpful items that every person should have when she or he goes camping. I will do the explaining, and Goon will demonstrate the items for you. He really doesn’t like me to watch him as it makes him nervous, so he will demonstrate just a little ways behind me.”</b>
2	<b>“Ready Goon?”</b> (Goon looks at the banana and then at the bandana and shakes his head indicating no.)
3	<b>Okay, so the first item you need to know about really won’t take us too long to show to you. It is very helpful for a person going camping to have a snack along, and one snack that grows in its own neat packaging is a banana.</b>
4	<b>Show the people the banana, Goon!</b> (Goon holds the banana so that the four corners are all sticking up through and above Goon’s fist.)
5	<b>Now a green banana really isn’t the best for you, so be sure to choose one that is bright yellow like this banana.</b> (Goon holds up the bandana looking at it with a confused expression and large eyes.)
6	<b>Smell the banana, Goon, and take in the aroma of a fresh banana.</b> (Goon does a number of faces as he tries unsuccessfully to smell the bandana.)
7	<b>Bananas are very easy to peel. Just use your thumb at the top of the banana to get the first peel started. Then peel the entire banana.</b>
8	<b>Goon, are you peeling the banana for the people to see?</b> (Goon works at sticking in his thumb and peeling each of the four corners of the bandana down.)
9	<b>One great trick that enables you to make 3 equal shares of a banana to share with 2 other people is to push down on the top of the banana with your index finger slowly, and the banana divides into 3 equal pieces. Show them, Goon.</b> (Goon looks for the banana which doesn’t seem to be there, and he pushes down on the bandana.)

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10	<b>Now, Goon, show everyone how easily it is to eat one of the thirds of the banana.</b> (Goon gags down a part of the bandana. If possible, keep part of the bandana in the Goon's mouth until during the next part of the skit when Goon acts like he's pulling out huge amounts of the the banana.)
11	<b>Now, the other important item everyone needs to know about is the bandana. Goon, show everyone the bandana. Show them all four corners and how light it is by letting it flutter in the breeze. And it's a great trail marker. It easily hangs over a branch to attract attention of someone if you are lost.</b>
12	<b>Your bandana can also be used in place of a belt to hold your pants up. Show everyone, Goon.</b>
13	<b>If it is really hot this week, you could get your bandana wet and tie it around your neck to keep cool just like Goon is doing now.</b>
14	<b>One important thing to know about a bandana is that it can be folded very small so that it can be carried anywhere.</b>
15	<b>Goon, fold the bandana in half.</b>
16	<b>See, that was easy, wasn't it.</b>
17	<b>Now, fold it in half again. It's really amazing how many times a bandana can be folded.</b>
18	<b>Once it's folded, it easily fits in a person's back pocket. Show them Goon!</b>
19	<b>Is it in your pocket, Goon? Doesn't it lay flat! Go sit on a chair, Goon, to show the people how you don't even notice that the bandana is there in your back pocket.</b>
20	<b>Bandanas are very useful. You can wear one on your head to protect your head from the sun and keep you a little warmer. Put the bandana on your head, Goon, to show the people how great it looks. Tying 3 of the corners in the back of your head helps keep the bandana in place.</b>
21	<b>Bandanas also make great blindfolds. Goon, cover your eyes with your bandana and show everyone what a great blindfold it makes!</b>
22	<b>In case any of you hurt your arm this week, I want you to know that you can use a bandana as a sling. Goon, show everyone what a good sling a bandana makes in case any of them hurt their arms.</b>

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23	Sometimes people collect shells on the beach to take home. Watch as Goon collects some shells and carries them in his banana.
24	You can also use a bandana to wipe your sweaty forehead when you get hot. Wipe your forehead with the bandana, Goon. In fact wipe it several times being sure to wipe your entire forehead.
25	You can even shine your shoes with a bandana. Show them how easy that is, Goon.
26	And you know, in addition to wiping the sweat off of your forehead, you can wipe your armpits with a bandana to really get some of the sweat off of you. Wipe each of your armpits, Goon, and enjoy the relief you feel when you're not so drippy.
27	Now, one thing that everyone knows is that a bandana can be used for blowing your nose. Go ahead, Goon, blow your nose into the bandana.
28	Now, fold the bandana so the germs are inside, and then stuff the bandana in my fist.
29	<b>GOON!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!</b> The person chases Goon off of the stage.