

# AUDITIONS HINTS

1. Practice until you are over-memorized.
2. Practice with accompaniment.
3. Practice facial expressions and body movement in mirror.
4. Sing in front of someone who makes you nervous.
5. Dress up: Iron your clothes, and comb your hair.  
**Women** – dresses, no flip-flops, proper undergarments, and not too revealing!  
**Men** – long-sleeved, collared shirts and long neck ties. Sock the same color as your pants, dress shoes, belts that match your shoes. Wear a belt **or** suspenders, never both. Solid colors look best on stage.
6. Remove gum, food, rubber bands, retainers etc. from your mouth before auditioning.
7. Get plenty of rest the week of the audition.
8. Drink lots of water the week of the audition.
9. Maintain a positive attitude (for yourself & others).
10. Visualize yourself doing well (don't convince yourself that you're going to fail). You're better than you probably think!
11. Support someone else who is nervous.
12. Show us your unique personality, but don't be overly cocky or silly. This is not the time to win negative attention!
13. Take risks with your acting.
14. Listen and respond carefully to any director's statements.
15. Be polite to accompanist, directors, and other students.
16. Remember, you are auditioning from the moment you step into the auditorium. This includes while seated in the audience.