

The Group Theatre Worksheet

Name: _____ Date: _____ Class: _____

1) Who were the three people who founded the Group Theatre?

2) Based on the innovative "System" of the Russian director _____,
founding member, _____, developed his own technique. He originally
referred to it as "my method of acting", but others came to call it _____.

3) His technique, still used today, bases a performance on an actor's own
_____.

5) The Group Theatre was the first acting company in America to train actors as an
_____, rather than individuals.

6) The first play produced by the Group was _____(1931).

7) It was not until the Group's production of Clifford Odets' first play, _____
that the Group began to realize their dream of speaking to and for their audience.

8) After leaving the Group, which founder went on to form the American Repertory
Theatre in 1946 and The Actor's Studio the following year?

9) The two main factors that contributed to the Group's downfall were disputes over the
acting technique and _____.

10) After the Group's break-up, several members were investigated by the
_____ for possible links to the communist party.

11) Name three actors working today who have been trained by or otherwise directly influenced
by former members of The Group Theatre.

