

HEADS OR TAILS

by John Cosper

GENRE: Comedy

SYNOPSIS: A girl trying to make a tough decision is offered a number of choices for getting the advice or direction she needs.

DIRECTOR'S TIP: Some characters (or all) can be changed to boys if desired, depending on the makeup of your drama team. This can also be adapted for youth, though it's best suited for a younger audience. The voice of the Darth Vader voice can be spoken into a mic off stage, but it can also be pre-recorded and made to REALLY sound like Vader.

TIME: 5 minutes

CAST BREAKDOWN: 6F

THEME: Making wise choices

SCRIPTURE REFERENCE: Proverbs 3:5-6

CHURCH YEAR SEASON: Any

SUGGESTED USE: Children's Ministry

CHARACTERS:

DANA – a girl with a tough choice to make
MIA, KELLY, SARAH, TAMMY – friends with advice
LISA – a Christian girl

PROPS: Table and chairs, school books, a coin, a magic 8-ball, a Darth Vader toy, a Bible

COSTUMES: School clothes.

SOUND: Six wireless microphones.

LIGHTING: General stage

SETTING: A library

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LISA sits at a table, reading the Bible. At another table, DANA sits down with paper, pencil, and a quarter. She starts flipping a coin.

DANA: Heads. *(Writes it down; flips again)* Tails. *(Writes it down; flips again)* Heads. *(Writes it down; flips again)* Tails. *(Writes it down; flips again)*

MIA enters. LISA listens to their conversation, shaking her head, laughing when they act silly.

MIA: What are you doing?

DANA: Making a decision. *(Flips the coin)* Heads.

MIA: A decision about what?

DANA: What to do this summer. *(Flips the coin)* Tails.

MIA: Using a quarter?

DANA: Yep. *(Flips the coin)* Heads.

MIA: That sounds kind of silly.

DANA: *(Flips the coin)* Heads! Why is that?

MIA: You're going to let a toss of a coin decide your summer plans?

DANA: *(Flips the coin)* Tails. No, not just one flip of a coin. I'm going to toss this coin 100 times, and whatever comes up ahead, that's what I'll do. *(Flips the coin)* Tails. *(Writes it down)* Tied again?

MIA: Don't you think that's a little childish?

DANA: *(Flips the coin)* Heads. Why is it childish?

MIA: Come on, we're a little old to make decisions based on a coin flip.

DANA: *(Flips the coin)* Tails. What would you do?

MIA: What every smart kid our age does. Here. Let's say your left hand is... what's one of your choices?

DANA: Cheerleading camp.

MIA: And your right hand is...

DANA: Church camp.