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Think & Act: Ch 7

A2: In “Who’s On First,” Abbott introduces to the audience (but not to Costello, apparently) that Who, What, and I Don’t Know are names of players. He does this by mentioning that the players have strange nicknames. The humor is that the audience realizes what Abbott means, but Costello does not, and it’s hard for Abbott to tell Costello what he means. This humor is exacerbated by Costello getting more and more frustrated as the sketch goes on. The joke starts with Who and What, and moves on into other silly, purposefully-confusing names such as Tomorrow (the pitcher), Because (center field), and Why (left field). The joke ends on a strong point when Costello gives up and says, “I don’t care!” and Abbott points out that that’s the name of their shortstop.

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A5: Intro Card

1. No cherry tree, yes lies, series of events
2. Young adult in Brit Virginia – experiences/dedication
3. Revolution
4. Delegation
5. (transition) Leader vision - First president

Body 1 Card

1. Bankrupt – no prez
2. Inherited farmland
3. Tobacco (small income), still bought stuff
4. Blamed Britain for debt system (interest!)
5. Learned fiscal discipline (transition into wartime)

Body 2 Card

1. Attention to detail helped win war
2. Battle for sanitation (name german soldier?)
3. Regulations for the Order and Discpline of the Troops of the US
4. Valley forge: enlistments dec (almost lost army)
5. (transition – tie into body 1) learned army discipline

Body 3 Card

1. Wash had to find skillful people
2. Henry knox (bookseller)
3. Quakers (Nat Greene)
4. (transition – tie into body 1 and 2) who to trust

Conclusion Card

1. Experiences he needed to be prez
2. Financial
3. Army
4. Who to trust
5. Quarter, dollar bill, wash is a good guy

I chose these because they’re either gross summations of the point at hand, or they’re a name that I probably wouldn’t remember once I got up there. These points jog my memory so I can talk to the audience (with the words in my head) instead of reading to them.