First Day Assignment for Introduction to Lawyering Skills/Criminal Law

Breathe. See a movie. Relax.

Also, please read,

“How Not to Talk to Your Kids: The Inverse Power of Praise.” This (short) article can be found at: http://nymag.com/news/features/27840/.

(posted to TWEN)

Moskovitz: pp 1-13
Neumann: Chs. 1, 2, 3

Optional Reading:
Laurel Currie Oates, Leveling the Playing Field: Helping Students Succeed by Helping Them Learn to Read like Expert Lawyers (posted to TWEN)

Finally, we will do an introduction exercise on the first day of class. (Yes- this is like camp. Bear with me.) The instructions for the introduction exercise are on the following page. Please don’t forget to bring your personally meaningful and/or interesting object to class for the introduction exercise.

Our first class is on Monday, August 17th. I’ll be the one in front.

I look forward to meeting everyone.

- Dave

PS: If you do not go by the name listed on the class roster, please email me the name you'd like to be called immediately so I can practice mispronouncing it.
TO: FIRST YEAR ASSOCIATES, CRIMINAL LAW/ILS 614-339  
FROM: PROFESSOR JAROS  
SUBJECT: INTRODUCTION ASSIGNMENT  
DATE: 8/1/2015  

I would like everyone to participate in an introduction exercise. (I know, you thought you’d never have to do this sort of thing again. Sorry.) You should arrange to interview your assigned partner before our first class (pairings are listed below). The meeting must be face-to-face. Each person should bring a meaningful and/or interesting personal object to the meeting. You should conduct at least a ten minute interview of your partner. Find out what the object is (if it is not obvious), the significance of the object and what it says about your partner. Feel free to ask about any interesting jobs, skills, hobbies or life experiences of your partner.

You should bring your object to class on August 18th and sit next to your partner. During class you will be asked to introduce your partner to the class based on your interview.

You can contact your partner to arrange your interview by emailing him or her at firstname.lastname@ubalt.edu. If this doesn’t work for some reason, just email me (djaros@ubalt.edu).

Because of time constraints you will only have 3-4 minutes for the introduction. Please let me know if you have questions.

**Note:** I am making this list on August 1st. If the class roster changes, I may have to make some last minute adjustments. (This is not uncommon.)

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Please interview the person across from your name.  
Eg. Lucas and Ricardo interview each other.

(Note: Because we have an odd number of students, Madison should interview Jillian, Jillian should interview Virginia, and Virginia should interview Madison. Clever, right?)