



drawing by Ediz Demirel

**RULE ONE** Find a place you trust, and then try trusting it *for a while*.

**RULE TWO** General duties of a student – pull everything out of your teacher; pull everything out of your fellow students.

**RULE THREE** General duties of a teacher – pull everything out of your students.

**RULE FOUR** Consider everything an experiment.

**RULE FIVE** Be self-disciplined – this means finding someone wise or smart and choosing to follow them. To be disciplined is to follow in a good way. To be self-disciplined is to follow in a better way.

**RULE SIX** Nothing is a mistake. There's no win and no fail, there's only make.

**RULE SEVEN** The only rule is work. If you work it will lead to something. It's the people who do all of the work all of the time who eventually catch on to things.

**RULE EIGHT** Don't try to create and analyze at the same time. They're different processes.

**RULE NINE** Be happy whenever you can manage it. Enjoy yourself. It's lighter than you think.

**RULE TEN:** We're breaking all the rules. Even our own rules. And how do we do that? By leaving plenty of room for X quantities.

**HELPFUL HINTS:** Always be around. Come or go to everything. Always go to [the studio]. Read anything you can get your hands on. Look at movies carefully, often. Save everything – it might come in handy later.

[**HELPFUL ADVICE:** We - students, tutors - are all human, with mistakes and feelings. Do not judge, just communicate and enjoy! Get help, give help, try working together. Don't always talk, but learn to listen. Love provides a space of attraction beyond language. Love what you do, where you work, who you work with. Keep the hope, even if that is the hardest thing to do. Hope gives us a drive to continue imagining and making.] There should be new rules next week.

\* These rules were written by Corita Kent in 1967-8, rule 10 was added by John Cage, text in square brackets were added by the tutor and students of the collectiveimagnations studio. \*\* For the previous works of the studio and future theme (which will be dealing with contemporary issues in Istanbul with a hint of wit and which will be posted at the beginning of the term): <https://collectiveimagnations.wordpress.com>