

ICEBREAKERS/ENERGIZERS

Blind creations: Somebody creates something on a piece of paper, and then another person replicates the picture that was drawn only by following the instructions given by the original artist. Pair up into groups of 2 and have a contest to see who can win.

Trick Question: You throw away the outside and cook the inside. Then you eat the outside then throw away the inside. What are you eating? Answer: Corn on the Cob.

Trick Question: Lenny always has it first. Paul has it last. Bryan has never had it at all. Girls can only have it once. Boys don't need it. Mrs. Mulligan has it twice in succession. Dr. Lowell of Harvard has it twice as bad at the end as the beginning. What do these folks have, or not have, in common? Answer: The letter L.

WHAT YOU DON'T KNOW: Tape a blank piece of paper on everyone's back. The members are to write a compliment or positive comment on everyone's back. At the end of the session, explain that a lot of times we tend to give compliments behind someone's back and it is not very often that we actually say these things to people's faces. We sometimes take for granted the positive aspects of others. If you wish, you may also explain that criticisms often are given behind other's backs as well, and that it may be more effective if they go to the person, instead of others. Have the group members pair up with someone they would like to get to know better and remove the paper from each other's backs. They should then explain to that person why they would like to get to know him/her better.

Missing Numbers- Fill in the square with the appropriate numbers using logic to figure out the solution. (Answer is in red - leave these blocks blank for the group to solve)

1	1	1	1	1
1	3	5	7	9
1	5	13	25	41
1	7	25	63	129
1	9	41	129	321

Solution: Each number is the sum of the 3 numbers immediately above, immediately left and in the upper left diagonal.

Alphabet Soup

Finish this sentence by using the letters of the alphabet only once.

_he _ra_y _u_icia_ was _l_ays _er_ qu_c_t_ _um_ a_oar_ th_ _e_ry on e_act_y t_ t_e ri_ht _ _ay

Answer: The crazy musician was always very quick to jump aboard the ferry on exactly the right quay.

6 Line 9 Game

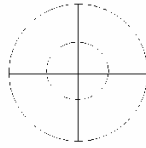
Goals: Turn these 6 lines into nine only using 5 lines. I I I I I I

Answer: NINE

Circle/ 8 Game

Goals: Using only 3 lines Split the circle into 8 sections.

Answer:



Geography Game

Sit in a circle. The first student says the name of a place at least the size of a city. The next person in order has to think of another place with the last letter of the place previously stated. Continue round the circle. The student has 6 seconds to think of a place or they are out. Example: Maine, Elk Grove, Evanston etc.....

F Game

Count how many F's are in this sentence:

FEATURE FILMS ARE THE RESULT OF YEARS OF SCIENTIFIC STUDY COMBINED WITH THE EXPERIENCE OF YEARS

The brain cannot process the OF's in the sentence. Answer is 6 F's. The lesson of this game relates to school and others on campus. For example: Have you ever noticed there are people on campus that you have never seen around school until they are pointed out to you. The F's on OF's represent the students that are not noticed. Like some of the F's in the sentence you did not notice them until they were pointed out.

6 Game

Turn the Roman numeral 9 (IX) into the number 6 using one line. Answer: put an s in front of the IX. The instructions never said that it had to be a straight line (SIX)

Sometimes in life, the answer is right in front of you, yet you over analyze something but the solution is really simple. There are times when you want to achieve a common goal you have to rely on teamwork to find the solution.

Dot Game

Connect all of the dots using 3 lines and without removing the writing utensil.



Just make a z going out of the whole box.

In order to achieve a goal you sometimes have to go outside of the box.

Something in Common

Break the group into two teams. Give each team a pencil and a sheet of paper. They are to make a list of all the common attributes of their team. The team with the longest list wins.

Not everyone shares the same attributes. Even though someone dresses differently, we can all share something in common.

BrainFry

Get into a horseshoe shape and choose one person. That person stands in the middle. Then the first person in the horseshoe says a word like "blue" the person in the middle adds another word to the word said to make a compound. So blue becomes skyblue, or flag becomes flagpole. If the person encounters a word he or she can not complete then they are to step out into the horse shoe and the person who said the word goes to the middle.

Question game

Instructions: Stand in a circle and ask questions to any person on the right or left to you. When you are asked you may not answer it at all, but simply turn to whoever is to the left or right of you and ask a different person a question. If you answer a question you are OUT!

Animal Charades- Randomly choose a animal out of a hat and act that animal out without speaking.