

P4C resources

Games for listening and speaking

One Word Each

Form sentences together where each person in turn adds only one word.

1. Try out making some one-word-each ten word sentences in pairs. Share them.
2. Try making a ten word sentence using one word each going in a circle around the whole group.
3. Give different people a chance to start by giving the first word and deciding which direction to send it.
4. Give the sentences marks out of five for being funny, sensible or creative.
5. Try a whole paragraph. Write a story. Make proverbs by starting with 'always' or 'never'.

Animal Emotions

Create fun challenges for others

1. One person chooses an animal, for example, a frog.
2. Another person chooses a feeling, for example, embarrassed.
- 3 Everyone in turn tries to think of a different way to make that animal have that feeling, for example, How many ways can we find to make a frog embarrassed?
4. Start again. Another person chooses an animal and another person chooses a feeling.
5. Give others a chance to go first.
- 6.Vary it by asking for other animal traits such as healthy, wise, puzzled...

I Am the Sun

Connect words people and ideas

1. A person stands and starts by saying 'I am (something)', for example, 'I am the sun.'
2. Get them to invite someone to join them and say I am (something connected / goes with), for example, 'I am the moon.'
3. Get them to invite another to join and say, 'I am (something connected to both)', for example, 'I am light'.
4. Give others a chance to go first.
5. Go around again, this time asking them to give reasons for what is said.

Ask a Thing a Question

Develop imaginative questioning with a game

1. Present an item – it could be a water bottle, a ten pound note, a key ring, a shoe...
2. See how many questions you can ask the thing, for example, 'Water bottle, do you like your lid?'
3. Have each person present an item for questioning. Try to hear at least ten questions for each item.

Here's the Answer – What's the Question?

Develop creative questioning challenges

1. Start with something simple like 'The answer's "on the table", what's the question?'
2. Try to hear five different possible questions.
3. Give others a chance to start by saying 'The answer is...'
4. See if you can create ten questions per answer.
5. Make it harder with more difficult answers like 'love', 'respect', 'fun' or 'reason'.