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Group Favorites Game

Objective:

To increase interaction among group members and to learn commonalities among group members

Group Size:

8 to 40 is ideal

Materials:

- Question Sheets
- Pens or pencils
- Large Chalkboard or white board with writing instruments and eraser

Description:

Note: This game is played like the television game "Family Feud". Prior to the activity, pass out a survey (see suggestion) to the members of the group. (If you have a small group, you may want to survey people outside of the group as well). Collect the surveys and tally up the answers. Make a list of the top three to five answers for each question and rank them in order of popularity.

Break the group into an even number of teams with four to ten people on each team. Place chairs facing each other in two rows and ask two of the teams to sit in the chairs for the first round. The first person in the row of each team comes to the front. These two people face each other across the table that has a tennis ball or other small soft object on it. The chalkboard should be where everyone can see it, with the numbers one through three or six on it (this is the number of top answers you have on your list).

Now ask the first question (for example, "Name the top four favorite restaurants"). The first person to grab the ball gets a chance to answer the question. (If someone grabs the ball early, stop reading the question and make him/her give you an answer before reading anymore.) If the person with the ball gives an answer that is on your list, write it besides the corresponding number. If this person has not guessed the number-one answer, the other player gets a turn to guess. The person who guesses the highest answer on the list gets to choose whether his/her team will play or pass.

After this, each team gets three strikes (wrong answers). The team that is playing gets the chance to guess the remaining answers on the board. Give each person a turn. Once the playing team gets three strikes, the other team decides as a group what one answer they want to give to try to fill in one of the remaining blanks. If the first team fills in all the blanks they win the round, but if the opposing team guesses one of the remaining answers, they win the round.

Continue in this manner, playing many different rounds with different teams playing against each other.

Group Survey:

1. Favorite restaurant
2. Favorite type of music
3. Favorite Christmas song
4. Favorite Shampoo
5. Favorite activity
6. Favorite celebrity
7. Type of car you ride in the most
8. Favorite place to shop (specific store name)
9. Job you most want to have:
10. Colour of your toothbrush: