

Let the Homies Talk

Activities for Discussion, Reflection, Evaluation

ICEBREAKERS AND TEAM BUILDERS TO BUILD COMMUNITY

OBJECTIVES

- To encourage participation in group discussion
- To become conscious of sharing “air time” in a conversation

MATERIALS

- A collection of small figures (superheroes, Despicable Me, 2 Minions, Homies, etc.) or a deck of cards if small figures are not available.
- Download **HOMIE TALK DISCUSSION QUESTIONS** from **BUILDING INTENTIONAL COMMUNITIES.COM** and cut them out.
- Paper bag.

SETUP

- Place the **HOMIE TALK DISCUSSION QUESTIONS** in a bag.

INSTRUCTIONS

1. Have participants **sit in a circle** on the floor or in chairs.
2. Give each participant **three figures** and tell them that **today we are going to let the “homies” talk.**
3. Explain that in order **to speak, they must place** one of their homies in the center of the circle.
4. Once a person’s three pieces are gone, **that person is not allowed to speak again** until everyone has used all of their pieces.
5. This **encourages quiet individuals** to get involved and helps the “chatty” group members think before speaking since they have a limited number of responses.
6. Ask a question to **start** the conversation.

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DEBRIEF

- What interesting “aha” moments came out of this discussion?
- What did it feel like to have to share the space?
- Did being attentive to the discussion “process” (by using the homies) make your conversation better or worse? What was the impact?