

Picture Pieces Game

For: Creative Problem-Solving Trainings

Duration: 30 minutes

Purpose: This problem-solving activity will teach participants how to work in a team and it demonstrates divisionalized 'departmental' working, which is the understanding that each person working on their own part contributes to an overall group result.

Supplies: Two pieces of paper with a well-known image on it- one for showing the final picture, one for cutting up into equal pieces, blank sheets of paper for every person, pens

Instructions:

1. Choose a well-known picture or cartoon that is full of detail. (see next page)
2. Cut the picture into as many equal squares as there are participants in the activity.
3. Each participant should be given a piece of the image, a pencil/pen, and a piece of copy paper,
4. Instruct them to create an exact copy of their piece of the puzzle big enough to fill the piece of copy paper they've been given
5. When all the participants have completed their enlargements, ask them to assemble their pieces into a giant copy of the original picture on a table.

6. Follow Up:

- What was challenging?
- What worked?
- How did you feel in the beginning as you drew your individual part?
- How did you feel as you were putting it together?
- What does this teach you about teamwork?
- What did this teach you about communication?
- What does departmental working mean to you?
- Why is it important?
- What do you contribute to your team?
- What do your team members contribute?

