

Fun Community-Building Program 100+ people (60 mins)

- 1. Train Station Greetings zany large group greeting exercise
- 2. Ro Sham Bo Congo fun, interactive 'Rock-Paper-Scissors' variation
- 3. That Ain't Me Babe enjoyable charade-like get-to-know your partner game
 - 4. Leaning Tower of Feetza quick & simple small group challenge
 - **5.** <u>Pictionary</u> one of the most successful large group activities I know

Props – bunch of shoes (as worn by participants), paper & pens for each group, list of 'objects' to be drawn

Step-by-step instructions for each of these activities are provided below. To view video tutorials, practical leadership tips & popular variations, click the links above.

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1. Train Station Greetings (5 mins)

- 1. Ask your group to form into pairs.
- 2. Spread your group throughout a wide, open area, requesting that partners position themselves a fair distance from one another.
- 3. By demonstration with a volunteer, act out a slowmotion scene involving the two of you greeting each other from a distance.
- 4. You approach one another slowly until approx two metres apart.
- 5. Then suddenly, you realise that you have mistaken the identity of this person.
- 6. Swiftly, you look away and spy another person to repeat the whole process over and over again.



2. Ro Sham Bo Congo (10 mins)

- 1. Establish a standard 'Rock, Paper, Scissors' protocol for your group.
- 2. Divide your group into several smaller groups of about 30 to no more than 50 people.
- 3. Ask the people in each group to mingle (separate areas), aiming to engage one other person in a quick game.

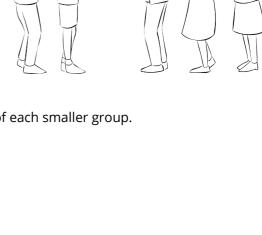
- 4. Each person calls "ONE, TWO, THREE" and then shoots.
- 5. Rock beats scissors, scissors beat paper, and paper beats rock. A tie means play another round.
- 6. The 'winner' invites the 'loser' to stand behind them, forming a line behind the winner aka 'congoline' style.
- 7. Process continues with 'losers' joining the winning congo-line, until there are two long congo-lines remaining (for each smaller group).
- 8. Invite a final show-down, and applaud the 'winners' of each smaller group.
- 9. Repeat by suddenly announcing "GO."

3. That Ain't Me Babe (15 mins)

- 1. Break your group into pairs.
- 2. Taking turns, explain that each person will be invited to mime three 'things' about themselves to their partner, eg what they do for a living, where they live, a hobby.
- 3. Explain that neither person can talk, nor perform any part of their mime a second time.
- 4. Once each person has mimed their story, gather your group into several small groups.
- For each small group, invite one person at a time to introduce their partner to the rest of the group, highlighting, in particular, a description of what they observed.
- 6. Continue until everyone has introduced their partner.

4. Leaning Tower of Feetza (10 mins)

- 1. Break your group into smaller groups of about 8 to 15 people.
- 2. Explain that each group is to build the tallest freestanding structure they can using only their shoes.
- 3. Everyone has exactly three minutes to achieve the task.
- 4. The tallest structure wins.

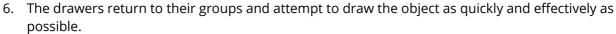






5. Pictionary (20 mins)

- 1. Organise your group into smaller groups of about six to eight people.
- 2. Distribute several sheets of paper and some pens to every group.
- 3. Explain the rules of the popular board game 'Pictionary.'
- 4. Each group nominates one of their own to be the first drawer.
- 5. Invite all of the drawers to approach you and whisper the first object on your list to them.



- 7. As soon as the group guesses the object correctly, a new person returns to you to check the answer.
- 8. If the answer is correct, you whisper the next object on the list.
- 9. Game continues for 20 minutes or until the energy starts to wane.

Here are a set of **sample Pictionary objects** to get you started. Add to this list by thinking of your own objects, or download the *Print+Play Pictionary Objects List* from the <u>Resources</u> tab connected to this activity.

Dog Mickey Mouse
Tent Kangaroo
Mobile (cell) phone Light bulb
Carpet Dirt

Sticky tape Right hand



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