

Work Experience Icebreakers

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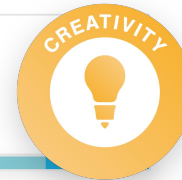
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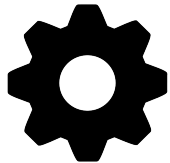
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1. Company Celebrity



Task: Choose a celebrity ambassador to represent the company's brand.



Focus skill: Use facts and examples to persuade the room why they are a good choice for this company.

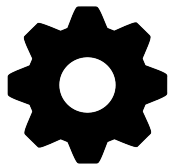


Reflect: How did you choose which examples would be most engaging and persuasive?

2. Pet Poll



Task: There is a vote on whether or not to have an office pet. Make a list of pros and cons to inform your choice.



Focus skill: Exploring problems by thinking about the pros and cons of possible solutions.

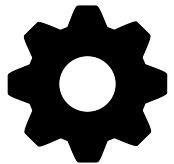


Reflect: Why can it be helpful to use this method to make decisions on complicated problems?

3. Thank You Event



Task: As a group, plan three activities for a thank you event hosted by the company. These must be inclusive for all employees.



Focus skill: Everyone in the group must contribute ideas and agree on the final decision.

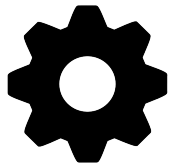


Reflect: How did you make your final decision as a team?

4. Charity Challenge



Task: If you could set a challenge for the company to raise money for charity, what would you choose? Discuss in pairs. How could you break this down to make it an achievable goal which involves lots of people from across the company?



Focus skill: Setting goals and planning to involve others in the best way.

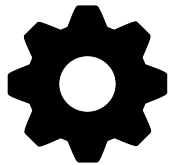


Reflect: Why is it important to be willing to take on new challenges?

5. A Real Pizza Work



Task: The office canteen has asked you to choose a brand new pizza topping combination. Keep it secret. Take turns asking your partner open and closed questions to understand what it is and why it should be chosen.



Focus skill: Showing listening by using open questions to deepen understanding (e.g. what, why, when, how, who).

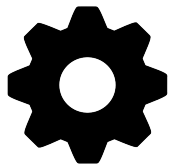


Reflect: How did open questions help you to be a better listener?

6. All in a Birthday's Work



Task: The company is considering a new reward for employees on their birthday. Suggest ideas which meet the two success criteria: **inexpensive** and also available to people who **work from home**.



Focus skill: Generating ideas to improve something.



Reflect: How did the success criteria help you to come up with ideas?

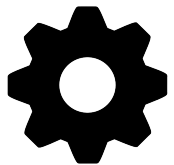


7. Take the Lead



Task: Individually, consider your strengths and give a score out of five for these leadership attributes:

- Good decision maker
- Thoughtful
- Confident
- Humble / modest



Focus skill: Recognising your strengths and weaknesses as a leader.



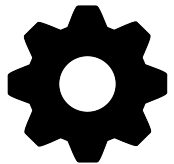
Reflect: When do you feel most confident as a leader? Which attribute would you like to improve?



8. Inter-not a Problem



Task: The internet coverage for the office and surrounding area has gone down. It should be back online in 4 hours. What opportunities can you identify to make the best of this situation?



Focus skill: Looking for opportunities in difficult situations.



Reflect: How can you identify opportunities in difficult situations? Did you follow a process?



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