

Great Classroom Idea



Grade level: All

Subject (if applicable): Home Room Activity

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| <input type="checkbox"/> lesson plan | <input type="checkbox"/> project-based teaching/activity idea |
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| <input type="checkbox"/> assessment tool | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> original classroom game |
| <input type="checkbox"/> relationship-building idea | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> other: <u>ice breaker</u> |

Description: (attach supplementary materials if needed)

Estimated time: 5-10 minutes

Having the students sit in a circle during the first day of the week. Ask a general question to the group. It can be on any topic (i.e., favourite food or colour or book). Once the students have all answered, then put them in groups according to the common theme (i.e., all those who said pizza was their favourite food). If some said pasta or if some are very different, then broaden the theme (i.e., fruits, veggies, snack foods, desserts, etc.)

Once they are in their groups, have them talk quietly and find out if there is anything else they may have in common.

This is a great early morning activity or a beginning of the year first day ice breaker.

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