

Access English Centre
Immigrant Centre Manitoba
CULTURE AND CITIZENSHIP: Getting to Know Each Other
"Yes/No" Warm-up and work out Activity
60 minutes
Beginner Level

Facilitator Note: This is a simple speaking activity that gives the participants an opportunity "to get to know each other". Simple questions are directed to their partners.

Warm-Up:

Materials: Facilitator needs: Whiteboard and whiteboard markers
 Optional: Question Sheets – A ("Do you like....?"), Sheet B (Do you have....?), and C (extra- a variety of questions) - enough for one team (7 or 8 copies)

| | |
|---------|--|
| 10 min. | <p>Procedure: <i>Before class:</i></p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1) Write "Good morning" or "Good afternoon" on the whiteboard. Then the facilitator writes his/her name on the whiteboard. The Facilitator introduces himself or herself to the group. 2) Have the participants write their names on name cards [take a piece of paper and fold it (a heavier paper works best)]. |
| 15 min. | <p>Before You Begin:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Divide the whole group into 2 teams. One side is the "question team" the other team is the "answer team". The participants stand-facing each other. 2. Instruct the participants that they will be asking each other simple questions. Write the following phrases/ prompts on the whiteboard: "Yes, I do like...." Or "No, I do not like..." Or: "No, I don't like..." |
| 25 min | <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 3. Ask the participants to help you write a list of questions on the whiteboard: Ex. Do you speak English? Participant: Yes, I do. Ex. Do you like dancing? Participant: No, I do not like dancing. Ex. Do you like cooking? Participant: Yes, I like cooking. etc. 4. Demonstrate. |
| 15 min | <p>Alternate Activity:</p> <p>Give the "Question Team" a question sheet to each person. They ask questions to their partners. Encourage the participants to elaborate on their questions. Using other questions starting with ex. "What, Where, How, Why...". Ask for volunteers to come up in front of the whole group and present their partners. The facilitator can model: Ex. "Hi, my partner is Maria. She likes learning English. Maria likes this class. Maria likes Canada. Maria does not like snow. She does not like the cold. "</p> |

QUESTIONS SHEET A

1. Do you like learning English?
2. Do you like living in Canada?
3. Do you like Winnipeg?
4. Do you like winter? spring? summer? fall?
5. Do you like swimming?
6. Do you like playing basketball?
7. Do you like watching T.V.?
8. Do you like shopping?
9. Do you like dancing?
10. Do you like eating fast food?
11. Do you like "Canadian food"?
12. Do you like playing soccer?
13. Do you like surfing the internet?
14. Do you like reading?
15. Do you like shovelling snow?

QUESTIONS SHEET B

1. Do you have a husband/wife?
2. Do you have any children?
3. Do you have any pets?
4. Do you have a car?
5. Do you have a computer at home?
6. Do you have internet?
7. Do you have a cell phone?
8. Do you have an iPad/iPod?
9. Do you have any plants at home?
10. Do you have a garden?
11. Do you have a cottage?
12. Do you have an apartment?
13. Do you have a house?
14. Do you have a SUV?
15. Do you have a CD player?

QUESTIONS SHEET C(Extra/Misc. Questions)

1. Do you enjoy working?
2. Do you enjoy shovelling snow?
3. Do you enjoy coming to the AEC (Access English Centre)?
4. Do you miss your home country?
5. Do you work?
6. Do you have your own business?
7. Do you stay home?
8. Do you enjoy studying?
9. Do you enjoy going to school?
10. Do you enjoy watching music videos?
11. Do you enjoy “hanging-out” with your friends?
12. Do you enjoy going to the museum?
13. Do you enjoy going to movies?
14. Do you enjoy going to the park?
15. Do you enjoy going on a picnic/having a Barbeque (B.B.Q.)?