

Access English Centre
Immigrant Centre Manitoba
"If You Had a Magic Wand, what Would You Change"
Warm-up Activity
 (Adapted from: Lantern Fish)
 20-25 minutes
Intermediate / Advanced Level

Warm-up:

Materials: Participants need: sheets of paper, pencils/pens
 Facilitator needs: a toy wand or a picture of Cinderella's God's Mother and her Wand, whiteboard / a flip chart, whiteboard markers if you want to write clients wishes.

5 min.	<p><u>Procedure:</u></p> <p><i>Introduce the Activit : This is an interesting activity which can be used as an energizer to warm up the group by introducing themselves and have fun as well.</i></p>
15-20 min.	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1) Show the picture of the magic wand or the toy wand. 2) Ask the clients if they know the story of Cinderella and ask one of them to brief the story and the magic wand. 3) Demonstrate the activity giving the wand to one client and ask him/her to use the wand to make a wish about what he/she would like to change in his/her life. 4) Model the sentence structure so every client can practice how to use structure properly such as "Hello, my name is Fan. I wanted to take this class because I had a hard time communicating with my supervisor properly. My electronic dictionary is a great help. If I had a magic wand, I'd have a dictionary in my head so I could find the word right away." 5) Pass the wand around in the group and have everybody in the group introduce himself / herself and the changes they would like to have if they had the magic wand. 6) You can write down the clients' names and their wishes on the whiteboard. <p>Suggestion:</p> <p>When you're having trouble getting your class to participate in discussion, get the magic wand out and pass it around. Ask clients to share what they would do with a magic wand.</p>



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