

**Access English Centre**  
**Immigrant Centre Manitoba**  
*"Snowball Fight" Warm-up or Ice-breaker Activity*  
 (Adapted from: Lantern Fish)  
 20-25 minutes  
 High Beginner / Intermediate Level

**Warm-up:**

**Materials:** Participants need: "Snowball Fight" recycled sheets of paper, pencils/pens  
 Facilitator needs: Whiteboard and whiteboard markers

5 min.

**Procedure:**

*Introduce the Activity : This is an interesting activity which can be used as an introduction, as a review or a recap activity.*

15-20 min.

- 1) Brainstorm (Ask the group what kind of winter activities they played when they were young and if they had had a snowball fight in winter in Canada. )
- 2) Demonstrate snowball fight as clients from tropical countries might not comprehend the game.
- 3) Divide the whole group into two groups – Group A and Group B, and put all the tables/desks in the middle of the room as a battle field.
- 4) Group A and Group B stands on each side of the tables.
- 5) Next give each client a few pieces of paper and ask them to write down their names, their countries, and three favourite winter / summer activities they liked doing in their countries or three favorite food or colours.
- 6) Have them crumple the paper into snowballs and throw their snowballs to the opposite side. Let's begin the snowball fight.
- 7) After you call stop, each client is to pick up the nearest snowball and walk around to find the person whose name is on the paper.
- 8) Once everyone has found the person on the paper, have them introduce him or her to the whole group.
- 9) You can write down the names and their favorite activities / food / colours on the whiteboard.

Extension Activities:

**For Beginner Level:** Ask the clients just to write down their names and the countries.

**For Advanced Level:** Ask the clients to write down their professions, their personalities and their goals (short term or long term)