

# ANDY'S INSIGHT ON ICEBREAKERS

## LARGE GROUP ICEBREAKERS (Any size, but work well if more than 50 people)

- Face to Face/Back to Back. Leader calls out, like "Simon Says"
- Clap Trap: point, clap, slap, 2 claps, slap, 3 claps, slap, back down, hi-5, then mingle ...
- Evolution Game: amoeba, dinosaur, chicken, mascot, super being
- Send me your Champion! Crowd is divided into groups. Leader asks for each group to send the best person that represents: tallest, shortest, oldest, youngest, born farthest from here, born close, largest number of siblings (including step), birthday close to today,
- Stand Up. Sit down. Categories. Brother, sister, only child, more than 3 siblings, dog, cat, other pet, born in this town, this province/state, this country but not this prov/state, born outside our country.
- Get organized by ... height while closed eyes, birthday without speaking. (Break large groups)
- Diversity Circle. Pet dog, pet cat, born where? brother or sister, only child, have visited Disney World, play a sport, play an instrument, seen a concert with more than 10 000 people, not wearing shoes
- Inspiration Stretch: Reach up for your dreams, down to lift up others, left to meet a friend, to the right
- Gotcha! Right hand palm out, left index finger in next person's palm. Remove & Grab!

## SMALLER GROUP ICEBREAKERS (Best if less than 50 people)

- Dominoes: person starts with "I like ...", person who agrees joins up, says new item.
- Auction: I need a quarter, sock, picture of a relative, shoelace, comb/brush, belt, lint
- Human Tic Tac Toe, with nine chairs. Line up two groups, number each person, call #'s
- Bird or Beast Charades. Four groups, bring in a rep from each, give them animal name.
- Someone is missing. One person leaves the group. A member of the group leaves. How long for the person to notice who is gone? Time it.
- Name Game. Say name, with rhyming add-on, "amazing Andy", everyone must repeat.
- Circle Story, one word per person, go around the circle.
- Never can tells: My name is Andy, come on a picnic with me, I am bringing ... and you see if children can pick up on your pattern. Examples: something that starts with the same letter as your name, something that starts with the next letter of the alphabet, something that is a double letter word "zoo"

## PARTNER GAMES

- ❑ Fast Fingers: Hands behind back. Pull out and count the number of displayed fingers.
- ❑ 7 to 11 game. One hand, cheer if get 7. Two hands, cheer if get 11.
- ❑ 1, 2, 3. Clap, slap, jump. Focus on your partner, replace each number with an action.
- ❑ Game of NIM, 3, 5, 7 pencils. Must take one pencil or as many as you want from one pile. Don't be last

## GRADES 6 AND UP CHEERS THAT COULD WORK AT A SCHOOL RALLY

Dexterity Check                      Ohhh, Ahhh (Divide group in half, each makes a sound when you point at them)  
Yes we do, we got spirit, how bout U                      Give it up for (person's name)! (everyone yells) Ohh YA!  
I say "A" you say "O".                      10 to 1                      Fire It Up! Fire it Up. Tic, Tic Boom!  
1, we are the "mascot", 2 a little bit louder, 3 I still can't hear you, 4 more more more, 1 repeat, louder  
18 Wheels on a Big Rig, (English up to 18, 18 to 1, even, odd, 3-5 languages)                      Iron Em Out.

## GRADES 1 to 5 SONGS AND CAMP CHEERS FOR OLDER PARTICIPANTS

Tarzan (Tarzan, Shamoo, Cheetah, Charlie)                      Fast Food Song (Pizza Hut, KFC, McD's)  
Brown Squirrel, (Arnold version)                      Milk Song (spell out milk, long – choc, short – skim)  
Moose Song                      Pizza Man - Wonder woman, Spider Man, Ceiling Fan, Mathematician, Jackie Chan  
Boom Chick a Boom (Queen, Custodian, Underwater)                      Banana's, Potatoes, Tip the Cow, Rock the Mullet  
Bean Song (jelly, Mr., Pork N, Human)                      Get down (hey girls, let me see you get down!)                      Ram Sam Sam

# THE WORDS TO SOME OF ANDY'S FAVOURITE CHEERS!

## TARZAN!

Tarzan, was swingin' on a rubber band, crashed into a frying pan, Now tarzan has a tan  
Cheetah, was movin' to the beegah, walkin' down the streetah, now cheetah is velveetah, now tarzan has a tan  
Charlie, was ridin' on a harley, crashed into bob marley, now charlie's very narley, now cheetah is velveeta, etc.  
Rocky, loves to play street hockey, forgot to wear his jockey, now rocky cannot talkie!, now charlie's very knarley, etc.  
Shamoo, was swimming in the ocean blue, crashed into a big canoe, now shamoo's going to sue, now Rocky cannot talkie, etc... Now my friends that is the end

## MILK CHANT

Give me a long M ..... everyone yells and holds an MMMMMMM Give me a short M. very quick "M"  
Don't give me no pop no pop, don't give me no tea, no tea, just give me some milk, moo moo moo, love that milk, moo moo moo.  
Repeat for the letters I L and K. Then end with give me a long milk ... "Chocolate", give me a short milk, "skim!"

## DEXTERITY CHECK

5 claps, 5 claps, 3 claps, 3 claps, huh, huh clap. Check Dexterity! Reverse, end in yelling the mascot or a key word.

## FAST FOOD SONG

A Pizza Hut, A Pizza Hut, Kentucky Fried Chicken, And a Pizza Hut (Repeat)  
McDonalds, McDonalds, Kentucky Fried Chicken, And a Pizza Hut (Repeat. Total of four verses)

Actions: Pizza Hut – Make a Hut in the air      Kentucky Fried Chicken – Make wing action with arms  
McDonalds – Make Golden Arches Symbol with fingers in the air  
Each time the song is done, do it again, faster each time!

## 1, 2, 3 ... clap, slap, jump

Partner with a person. Partners go back and forth saying 1, 2, 3 for a bit. Then, you replace 1 with a clap ... repeat with a clap, 2, 3. Then replace 2 with slapping you hip. Repeat. Then, replace 3 with a jump.  
The activity encourages paying attention to the person you are talking to, interacting with.

## I Say "A" you say "O"

Entire crowd. Four times. Girls only twice. Guys only twice. Girls, imitate the boys, twice. Guys, imitate the girls twice.  
Call each grade/class, twice. Call out the school staff, twice. End with, all of the "mascot", twice.

## 18 WHEELS ON A BIG RIG

"18 Wheels on a Big Rig and they're rolling rolling, rolling rolling." The verses are the numbers 1 to 18 yelled different ways. English up, down, by 2, odd numbers only, in French or Spanish, then your volunteers on stage yell it in their language. Max of 6 different. End with Roman Numerals

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