

Roll Call Responses Activity

Objective: Self confidence

Time: 5 minutes

Materials: None

Directions: As each name is called on the roll, have the members respond to the same pre-selected question or topic.

Examples:

- Name a breed of sheep.
- My favorite TV show is _____.
- If I had all the money in the world, I would...
- If I could be any animal for one day, I would be a _____ because _____.
- Tell about a holiday tradition at your house.
- If I could change one thing in the world, it would be _____.
- If you could travel anywhere in the world, where would you go?
- Share something about the last movie you saw?
- How many brothers and sisters do you have?
- What do you like best about your house?
- If you were principal for a day, what is the first rule you would make?
- The last time I did something this silly was _____.
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- **“What is one of your pet peeves?”**
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- **“What is your earliest memory of a house you lived in?”**
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- **“What are you afraid of?”**
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- **“Who is one person you will never forget?”**
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- **“If you could eat only one food for the rest of your life, what would you choose?”**
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- **“What has been your favorite attendance question (and response) this semester?”**
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- **“Who was/is the most effective teacher you’ve had? What made him or her effective?”**

Here are some examples of impromptu topics that can also be used as attendance responses.

<http://www.publicspeakingproject.org/facultylounge/subscribers/classroom%20activities/Impromptu%20Topics%20Cut-Outs.pdf>

- Asking for terms or concepts from the assigned reading material also sets a professional tone for the class
- On days when students are giving oral presentations or participating in some other form of stressful performance, I ask them to respond to attendance prompts that help them relax.
 - Examples include state a fact about our class;
 - tell us where you were born;
 - name something that makes you grouchy;
 - describe the perfect breakfast;
 - give the class a word of advice;
 - or tell us a favorite pet's name.
- Prompts such as these let students share an appropriate amount of self-disclosure, build classroom community, evoke relaxation-inducing laughter, and allow others to learn about them. They also promote a two-way flow of messages between and among instructor and students. For instance, at Halloween my attendance prompt was suggest Halloween costumes for my five-year-old triplet grandsons. The warm student response to this prompt sent a clear message that the lines of communication were open.

Create a repertoire of attendance prompts and check off each as you use it over the course of the semester, occasionally asking students for their ideas for prompts, as well.

<http://www.facultyfocus.com/articles/effective-teaching-strategies/using-attendance-questions-build-community-enhance-teaching/>

Dawn's Questions from F 2015:

1. How did dawn break her ankle
2. Summer: 5 words or less
3. Perfect breakfast
4. Fave food
5. Ch. 8 – 1 thing
6. Fave memory

7. Fave book
8. Ch. 9 1 thing
9. Fave movie
10. Maps OL – 1 thing
11. If you could eat only one food for rest of life
12. Suggest a RCR question
13. Tv show
14. Sky dive or bungee jump
15. Middle name
16. Your #1 delivery area to improve upon
17. Fave browser
18. Hobby
19. Restaurant
20. Rain Yes or No
21. Halloween costume
22. Amusement park ride
23. Super power
24. Least fave food
25. Pizza topping
26. Thanksgiving meal item
27. Fave article of clothing
28. Fruit or veggie
- 29.

WOULD YOU RATHER?

Circle the "THIS" or "THAT" you like best.

BLOND or BRUNETTE

GRAPES or CHERRIES

WATERBED or BUNK BED

DOGS or CATS

APPLE PIE or PUMPKIN PIE

NACHOS or POTATO CHIPS

CASTLE or COTTAGE

ALIEN or ROBOT

FRANKENSTEIN or DRACULA

RAINBOW or SHOOTING STAR

RICH or FAMOUS

ROCK CLIMBING or BUNGEE JUMPING

COTTON CANDY
or
CANDY APPLE

PENCIL or PEN

CAKE or ICE CREAM

HALF EMPTY
or
HALF FULL

PIE IN THE FACE

or
SLIP ON A BANANA PEEL

UNIQUE or NORMAL

RAIN or SNOW

TEXT or CALL

FAST or SLOW

INSIDE or OUTSIDE

CHICKEN or EGG

PIZZA or HAMBURGER

SCIENCE or CREATIVITY

FUNNY MOVIE or SCARY MOVIE

ZOO or AQUARIUM

SPELLING BEE
or
SCIENCE FAIR

DRIVE or FLY

ARM WRESTLING
or
THUMB WRESTLING

JEANS or SKIRT

ROLLER COASTER
or
FERRIS WHEEL

GROSS or SCARY

MASHED
POTATOES
or
STUFFING

GREEN HAIR or PURPLE HAIR

MEAT or VEGGIES

TORTOISE or HARE

CREAMY or CRUNCHY

ELEVATOR or ESCALATOR

WEST COAST or EAST COAST

HUNGRY or THIRSTY

MUSTARD or KETCHUP

PAST
or
PRESENT

STAYING UP LATE
or
GETTING UP EARLY

HEADS or TAILS

DEEP or SHALLOW

STILTS or UNICYCLE

BRAINS or BEAUTY

SQUARE or CIRCLE

VIE STAR or ROCK STAR

LEMONADE or HOT CHOCOLATE

BASEMENT or ATTIC

SUV or SPORTS CAR

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talent you wish

Celebrity parents

Fave class

Worst Pick Up Line

live anywhere and why

Fave Vaca Place

Web Browser

Desert

TV show

Sports team

Dream job

Fave Superhero

Sky Dive or Bungee

Christmas memory

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Fave Bd game

Only flower

Subject

Sport - absolute Master

Vac dest.

Dream job

Season

Memory

Tall?

TV

Superpower

Place to visit

Least favorite food

Celebrity
Sports team

animal

hobby

Am. park ride
band / artist

pet pony

Strangest Studi;
hast

Sports team
Car

happy place

Best vacation

ideal job

for. #

fave class

finds your gears

restarant

worst custsvc

1-10 how wld

you rate class

dreams

dream vac

home

Best time of day

article of cloth

Episode of game

last night dream

fac. Animal

Pizza Toppi

Candy

Place you've been

Sports team

Genre of music

TV Show

TV Show

Who President

Biker album

I Super power

Place to travel

Hobby

Middle name

Board game

Animal

outside class

Birthday

Speech struggles

Love class

Save place

Spirit album

Travel?

Artist

Gained from class

Why is Todd smug

Team

Video game

Song

Candy bar

pass time

Sport to watch

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