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 ________
- “What is one of your pet peeves?”
- “What is your earliest memory of a house you lived in?”
- “What are you afraid of?”
- “Who is one person you will never forget?”
- “If you could eat only one food for the rest of your life, what would you choose?”
- “What has been your favorite attendance question (and response) this semester?”
- “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.
• 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.
  o Examples include state a fact about our class;
  o tell us where you were born;
  o name something that makes you grouchy;
  o describe the perfect breakfast;
  o give the class a word of advice;
  o 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.


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

GOLD or SILVER

ARM WRESTLING or THUMB WRESTLING

ROLLER COASTER or FERRIS WHEEL

GROSS or SCARY

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

NE STAR or ROCK STAR

LEMONADE or HOT CHOCOLATE

BASEMENT or ATTIC

SUV or SPORTS CAR
talent you wish
Celebrity parents
Favorite class
Worst pick up line
Live any where and why
Favorite vacation place
Web browser
Dessert
Fishing
Favorite team
Dream job
Favorite superhero
Sky Dive or Bungee
Christmas memory
Cola
Favorite Bd game
Glow flower
Subject
Sport - absolute most
Vac dest.
Dream job
Season
Memory
Tail?
TV
Superhero
Place to visit
Least five food
Celebrity
Sports team
Animal
Hobby
Am. parking
Band / Artist
Pet / People
Strangest study habit
Sports team
Car
Popular place
Best visited
Ideal job
Jov. #
Favorite class
Birds your genres
Restaurant
Worst party
1-10 has world
You rate class
Dream job
dream vac
camp
Best time of year
Article of choice
Episodes of group
Last night done
fast Animal
Candy
Spit tea
TV show
Who President
Super power
Hobby
Board game
Outside class
Speech struggles
Sex place
Travel?
Gain from class
Sax
Sing
Candy bar
Pastime
Sport
Outfit
Pizza Toppi
Place you've been
Genre of music
TV show
Biker album
Place to Visit
Middle name
Animal
Birthday
Fore class
Spirit album
Art
Why is Todd Swit
Vide Game