

Community Bingo

Big Ideas: Community & Interdependence

A strong network of relationships is the foundation of a thriving learning community. Community Bingo is a great conversation starter—a way to sow seeds of connectivity between students, colleagues, or any group of people.

You will need:

- **Community Bingo sheets**, one per student
- **Pencils**, one per student

Instructions:

Aim: Students will fill in as many Bingo boxes as possible by finding one classmate that matches each trait or descriptive phrase of each Bingo box.

1. You can use each name only once.
2. You must move through the room and interview people to collect your data.
3. Fill the *Free Space* with a new descriptive trait of your own design.
4. Bingo! is achieved when an entire Bingo sheet is filled in.

Variations:

- For a shortened version, play only until a student completes a row or column, 2 rows or columns, etc...
- If time allows, play until all students complete all of the squares.
- Tailor the descriptive phrases to the personalities, interests of your students, or to your curriculum.

Debrief:

- What's one thing that surprised you?
- What did you find challenging?
- What's one thing you learned about a classmate that you didn't know before?
- What's one thing you learned about yourself that you hadn't considered before?

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Can make or repair clothing	Good at listening and helping people with problems	Preserves food by drying, canning, or freezing	Knows how to fix a leaky pipe or faucet
Can fix bikes	Can sing or play an instrument	Is good with animals	Is a good artist
Enjoys taking care of babies or little children	Speaks a 2 nd language	Writes or tells good stories	Can fix cars
Has first aide or medical skills	Makes people laugh	Is good with technology	Is smart about making or saving money
Can act or dance well	Is a good cook	Can grow food	<i>Free Space</i>