

## 23. LINE UP

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### PURPOSE

Groups of 20 or More; Team Building; Pure Fun

### GROUP SIZE

16 to 200

### LEVEL OF PHYSICAL ACTIVITY

High

### ESTIMATED TIME

5 to 7 minutes

### PROPS

Line Up Activity Sheet for leader

Lining up by height order or alphabetically is just the beginning in this activity, as participants think of creative ways to line up in order. Use this activity to break the monotony of long periods of sitting, and you'll find participants finding out about each other too. Any group is game for this activity.

### INSTRUCTIONS

1. Organize participants into groups of 8 to 20.
2. Tell participants that in the Line Up, they will have a chance to learn things about one another they may never think to ask.
3. Give these instructions:
  - This is group competition.

- I will give the instruction for groups to line up in a particular way.
  - Your group should get in line as quickly as possible.
  - When your group is lined up appropriately, but not before, all group members should clap to indicate your readiness to me.
4. Conduct a practice round. Tell them to line up by height, and to clap when they're finished.
  5. Begin the activity. After each lineup, determine which group clapped first and then announce them as the winner of that round.

## VARIATIONS

1. Use this activity periodically throughout a long session.
2. Ask groups to come up with their own way of letting you know they're ready. (I've had groups yell something, hum a song, put up their hands, etc.) This adds a lot to the fun.

## TIPS

1. Keep the tone light; this is a fun competition.
2. Laugh and play with humorous comments from participants; there will be many.
3. Remember political correctness with regard to your own or participants' comments.

## LINE UP ACTIVITY SHEET (FOR THE LEADER)

**HANDOUT**

1. Line up in order by shoe size.
2. Line up in order by length of arm's reach.
3. Line up in order alphabetically by favorite color.
4. Line up in order by number of siblings you have.
5. Line up in order by hair color, lightest to darkest.
6. Line up in order by age, youngest to oldest.
7. Line up in order by length of time with current employer.
8. Line up in order alphabetically by first name.
9. Line up in order alphabetically by last name.
10. Line up in order by number of pets owned.
11. Line up in order by hair length, longest to shortest.
12. Line up in order by the number of bones you've ever broken.

## 34. NATURE CALLS

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### PURPOSE

Team Building; Introducing a Topic; Stuffy, Conservative Types

### GROUP SIZE

8 to 40

### LEVEL OF PHYSICAL ACTIVITY

High

### ESTIMATED TIME

25 to 35 minutes

### PROPS

Nature Calls Activity Sheet, one per team

This is a special kind of scavenger hunt for teams. Instead of having a list of common items to find, teams must find items that most closely resemble the pictures of items on the sheet. This allows for some humor and creativity.

### INSTRUCTIONS

1. Organize participants into teams of two to six.
2. Give each team a Nature Calls Activity Sheet.
3. Tell teams they have 20 minutes to find items that most closely resemble the pictures on the sheet.
4. Explain that when the 20 minutes are up, each team should bring its items to a central location for judging. Each item will be judged against the pictures. The winner of the com-

petition will be the team that has the greatest number of items that most closely resemble the pictures on the sheet.

#### VARIATION

Rather than using pictures from nature, use pictures of shapes or other objects.

#### TIPS

1. Encourage creativity for objects not easy to find.
2. Have first, second, third place with prizes for each.