



Team Tasks

Hands-on

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Teamwork: synergy, unity, harmony, alliance

(1) Paper Tower

Materials: 20 sheets of paper

Duration: 18 minutes

Give team 20 sheets of paper. They will have 18 minutes to build the tallest tower possible using only the paper provided. The tower must be standing at the end of time. Award 5 points for every 5 inches of height. Additional points may be awarded for exemplary creativity or teamwork.

(2) Bowl of Buttons

Materials: 5 small bowls, 50 buttons (five colors; ten of each), and 1 blindfold.

Duration: 18 minutes

Place materials in front of the team. Without speaking, the team must instruct their blindfolded teammate to place the buttons into separate bowls, sorting them by color. Team will have 5 minutes to choose the person to be blindfolded and decide how they will communicate with them. The blindfolded teammate will have 13 minutes to sort the colorful buttons into the correct bowls. Award 10 points for each button placed in the correct bowl. Additional points may be awarded for exemplary creativity or teamwork.

(3) Cheerio Card Challenge

Materials: 1 box of Cheerios and 1 deck of cards.

Duration: 18 minutes

Give team one box of Cheerios and one deck of cards. Team must build the highest structure possible that will hold the greatest number of Cheerios. Award 5 points for every inch of height and 10 points for each Cheerio supported by the structure. Additional points may be awarded for exemplary creativity or teamwork.

(4) Backpack of ABCs

Materials: Team members' backpacks.

Duration: 18 minutes

Instruct team members to hold their backpacks. Using only items found inside, the team must work as group to find objects that begin with each letter of the alphabet and place them in the center of the circle. Award 5 points for every item found. Subtract 10 points for each item not found. Additional points may be awarded for creativity or teamwork.

(5) Silent Art

Materials: 1 large sheet of paper and 5 markers.

Duration: 18 minutes

Draw one line (either squiggly or straight) on the paper. Without speaking, the team passes the paper around the circle, each person adding one line at a time to create a picture. Paper must be passed around the circle at least twice. Award 25 points if the drawing is recognizable. Additional points may be awarded for exemplary creativity or teamwork.

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