

A great activity for getting to know each other at the beginning of the year, this Seed Strategy gives the class a chance to interact with and learn about each other. It involves everyone taking a turn and making three statements about themselves, two of which are true and one that is false. Then, the class tries to guess which is false. It's a very quick way for students to get to know each other, and they may even bond over things they have in common. This is a fun exercise that may help students feel more comfortable in the culture of that classroom.

Creative Learning Lesson Plan

Seed Strategy: Two Facts and One Fiction

Core subject: Class ice breaker, getting to know each other

Art practice or principle: Encourages creative thinking while also getting to know classmates.

Age group: Appropriate for any age

Curriculum Target / Bench Mark: N/A

Collective Values Points (Creativity Wheel):

Challenges assumptions, I don't always believe things just because everyone else does.

Learning outcomes:

This is an introductory activity that could be done at the beginning of the school year to get to know classmates better.

Duration:

For an average size elementary class this activity would take about a half hour.

Materials:

No materials needed other than students.

Description:

In this activity each student gives three facts about themselves. Two of the facts are true and one is fiction, or made up. The other students in the class then get to guess which of the facts is not true. At the end of the activity everyone knows two new facts about each other.

Example: I am a vegetarian. I have two siblings. I have a pet hedgehog. The fact that is not true is having two siblings, because I am an only child.

Extension 1:

A way to extend this activity is to have students list more facts about themselves. They could list five and have three of them be true and two of them fiction. This is a way to make it more advanced for older students.

Extension 2:

This activity could also be used with staff in the school (teachers, principals, other staff) to get to know more about each other. Since they will all be working together it is always good to get to know one another.