**SOME OTHER INTRODUCTORY GAMES**

**Introducing oneself using an animal / attribute**

Each participant draws on a sheet of paper an animal or a certain attribute that she/he associates with her/himself. They are given a maximum of five minutes to do so. Then they are asked to present this drawing to the group. They say their name, say where they are from and briefly explain why they drew that particular thing.

**Or make use of a photo...**

If the students knows each other a little better, you can also ask them to bring a photo, which shows something that is important to them, but not themselves or family members, who the others might know. You put these pictures on the floor and gather the students around them. If someone thinks (s)he knows, to whom a picture belongs, (s)he stands up, takes the picture and explains, why the picture belongs to that particular person. If it is not correct, the photo is put back and the scavenger hunt continues…

**Speed dating**

What also still works and is highly appreciated by students is what is known as speed dating. Each participant is given a questionnaire and reads through it briefly. Then form two rows and you can ask the person in front of you some of these questions for two minutes; then they can also ask you questions for two minutes. The outer row shifts afterwards; the inner row stays. We repeat this until everyone in the outer row is back in place. You can repeat this a number of times; above all, you have to keep an eye on the dynamics of the group. Depending on the group, you can also let them move several places and you should also decide whether it is important for them to end up back with the same person they started with.

We have chosen to offer the students not only ordinary questions, but also some more challenging ones. Of course, you are free to choose those questions that best suit your group.

1. What is the most frequently played song on your playlist?
2. What sound/smell do you (not) like?
3. What is one of your most favorite quotes?
4. What is your least favorite mode of transport?
5. Which form of exercise is your favorite?
6. What chore do you really hate to do?
7. What is your favorite indoor/outdoor activity?
8. What is your favorite body part?
9. What is your best time of day/day in the week/month in the year?
10. If you could draw a picture or painting of any environment you have ever been in, what would you draw/paint?
11. If you knew the earth would end tomorrow, what would you do now?
12. If you could witness any event in the past, present or future, which one would you like to attend in the past, present or future?
13. If you were to change your first name, what would you change it to?
14. If you won the lottery, what would you do first?
15. If you were to throw a party, any kind of party, what kind of party would it be, and on what occasion?
16. If you could choose to be one particular age forever, which would it be?
17. If you were immortal for 1 day, what would you do?
18. If you could meet anyone, living or deceased, who would you like to meet?
19. If you could reincarnate as an animal/drink/determined flavor of ice cream, which one would it be?
20. If you could be any fictional person, who would you like to be?
21. Have you ever experienced something that you initially thought would be bad, but which turned out well afterwards?
22. What was one of the best parties you've ever been to?
23. What was the last film, TV program or book that made you cry?
24. What was the hardest thing you ever did?
25. What is your last experience that made you a stronger person?
26. What did you used to do when you were little that got you into trouble?
27. When was the last time you ate really great food?
28. What is the best/worst gift you have ever given/given?
29. What was the first thing you bought from your own money?
30. What story does your family always tell about you?
31. When was the last time you laughed?
32. What do you consider a (not so) good character trait about yourself
33. Which country would you like to live in?
34. Which political party would you vote for?
35. If you could step into a time machine now, what period would you want to return to?
36. Can you keep secrets?
37. Has your heart been broken before?
38. What is your favorite dish?
39. Would you like to go to college?
40. How many children would you like to have later on?

Be sure to let us know, what you thought of it, and also drop us a line if you have any additions: werner.desmet@olvcplus.be