Getting to Know You

Offering you and your pupils a great opportunity to find out a bit more about each other. And the activity can easily be adapted to explore subject knowledge in any area.

We’d love to hear how you get on with (and develop) the activity, so please let us know!

Activity Overview:
At the start of a new academic year, Getting to Know You offers you and your pupils a great opportunity to find out a bit more about each other. It’s ideal for new groups - but can also easily be adapted to explore subject knowledge in any area.

Target Audience:
KS1 - 6th Form

Instructions:
Print off copies of the Getting to Know You Grid (after making any changes to suit your own needs). Give each pupil a Grid and a pencil.

Tell the pupils to talk to the person next to them and see if they can answer “Yes” to one of the questions on the Grid. Pupils should write the name of that person in the appropriate box - together with any additional information they discover (encourage them to ask open questions). They’ll then need to move to another pupil, repeating the process. Stress three things to the pupils:

(1) they can only write one name per box;
(2) they can only use each of their fellow pupils once;
(3) this is not a race - it’s the quality of the additional information gleaned that counts rather than the quantity of the boxes completed.

Outcomes:
Pupils will feel more confident and “at home” with the group - and will have identified others with whom they have things in common. They’ll also have practised asking open questions.

Get in touch and let us know about your experiences of using Getting to Know You with your pupils at: info@as-creatives.com or tweet us @ascreatives

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