



LEGO listening



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Activity type: Non-formal

Necessary materials: LEGO bricks

Objectives:

- To learn how to give and follow instructions
- To be able to use questions in order to take the most appropriate decision while dealing with uncertainty

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Number of participants: any even number (e.g. 2, 4, 6, 8, ...)

Competencies to be improved:


- team work
- communication
- cooperation
- coping with uncertainty, ambiguity and risk

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Step-by-step activity:

- Split the group in pairs and sit each pair back to back.
- Both participants have an identical number of LEGO bricks: one participant has a shape made out of LEGO bricks (e.g. house, tree, people, car) and the second has the exact number of LEGO bricks used to build the shape, in the same size and colors as the ones used for building the shape.
- The participant having shape made out of LEGO bricks, describes the shape to his/her pair, without looking at what his/her partner is doing

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Step-by-step activity:

- The participant having a bunch of LEGO bricks builds an identical shape as his/her partner, by following the partners' verbal description of steps. He/she must listen, but not look. He/she can use active listening and use the words "OK" (in case the explanation is understood) or "Repeat" (in case the explanation was not understood).
- The second team member has to create the exact shape as the first one, without seeing the shape of the first team member and by only following the verbal instruction.

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Tips:

- The partners can change the roles, so the one who was the listener will be giving the explanations and the one who gave the explanations will be the listener. If the roles will change, the shape to be used has to be different.
- The partner that is listening to the other's explanations, has to be able to create an exact copy of the work of his/her partner by following the rules written above.

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