



ANIMAL KINGDOM

Purpose & Focus

Finding commonality

Participants

Any number of participants.

Time Allotment

5 - 15 Minutes

Activity Level

Moderate

Materials

- Strips of paper
- Pens or Pencils

Method

- Distribute strips of paper to each participant and ask them to jot down the name of an animal.
- Collect the strips of paper, shuffle them, and ask each participant to pick up a strip of paper each.
- At the word “go,” they have to find their partners or groups in order to form a family. They make only make gestures and noises in order to group together. Remember no one is allowed to speak.
- Once they have found their family, they ought to introduce themselves to each other. Groups then choose a leader, who will introduce the members of their group.
- Examples: a panther, lion, and cheetah might gather together because they are all they are all felines. Or a deer, an otter, and a chipmunk might gather because they're woodland creatures, etc.

Discussion

- How was being non-verbal a challenge in this activity?