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Icebreaker Ideas



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A family reunion is a time for unity. But despite being related, participants in the ever-expanding reunion can sometimes feel more like strangers than kin. To help remedy this, we would like to present you with a series of ice-breaker activities designed to encourage family members to interact and learn more about one another.

Feel free to modify these ideas to suite the needs of your reunion!
Use as many or as few as you like.



Icebreaker Questions

Who was born in?

Ask reunion members in what month they were born. Add their name to the appropriate month below. Whoever has the most names for each month, wins!

January

February

March

April

May

June

July

August

September

October

November

December



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52 CARD SHUFFLE Each regular playing deck of cards has 52 cards. Purchase as many decks necessary so that each person in the reunion will receive one card. Then, have everyone collect into groups based on suits. Next, have all small groups members introduce one another and answer predetermined questions such as “What is your favorite movie or book,” “What is the farthest you’ve traveled,” or “how many siblings do you have?” After the groups finish, reorganize into new groups based on the card number and ask different questions.

SAY WHAT? Give each person a piece of paper and a pencil and place reunion members in pairs. Give the first partner the opportunity to draw things about themselves for their partner. They can draw whatever they wish, with the exception of words. After about 5 minutes, have the partners switch. Upon completion, the partners introduce one another based on the information they gathered from the rushed drawings. Afterwards, the person may correct the other and explain their drawings.

WHAT’S MY NAME? Distribute the incorrect name tags to each person in the reunion. Have them mingle and find their own name. They must introduce themselves to the person who has their tag.

I DON’T BELIEVE IT! Have reunion members say three things about themselves. Two of them are true, and one is made up. Reunion members will then guess which is untrue.

PIECES UNITE! Purchase postcards from different cities or states from where reunion members reside. Cut them into pieces and distribute one piece to each member. Have them mingle until they find the rest of their puzzle. Allow members time to introduce themselves.

YOU ARE UNIQUE! Each reunion member thinks of something they feel is unique about themselves. Each person in turn then says that aloud. If no one shares that achievement, the member may discuss their achievement and play continues to next person. If someone else shares that achievement, they say so. Play continues as long as desired.



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CATEGORIES Announce to reunion members that a category will be announced and that they should quickly organize themselves into groups based on the category to which they belong. Depending on the size of the reunion, you may want two, three or more categories. Below are some samples:

TWO CATEGORIES

When you fold your arms across your chest, which arm is on top?

When you clasp your hands and intertwine your fingers, which thumb is on top? The one from your left hand or right?

When dressing, which leg do you place into your pants first, left or right?

THREE CATEGORIES

When eating ice cream from a cone, do you twirl the cone clockwise, counterclockwise or up and down?

Do you drive a car, a truck or an SUV?

When exiting your bed, do you leave from the left side, right side or foot?

SEVERAL CATEGORIES

How many pets do you have?

What is your favorite musical genre?

What is your favorite season?

How many brothers and sisters do you have?

GET MOVING If you will be engaging in an activity where you would like the people energized, try these icebreakers: have participants line up in order by birth month, height or alphabetically by first name. This will get them talking and moving!

BIRTH ORDER Create signs that read: Only Child, Oldest Child, Youngest Child, Middle Child. Place these signs in the corner of each room. Have reunion members gather at the appropriate corner of that coincides with their own birth order. Then, ask them to discuss if their birth order influenced their life decisions, job choice or demeanor.



Reunion Wordfind

While the adults and older children are performing their icebreakers, younger children may enjoy a reunion-themed word find.

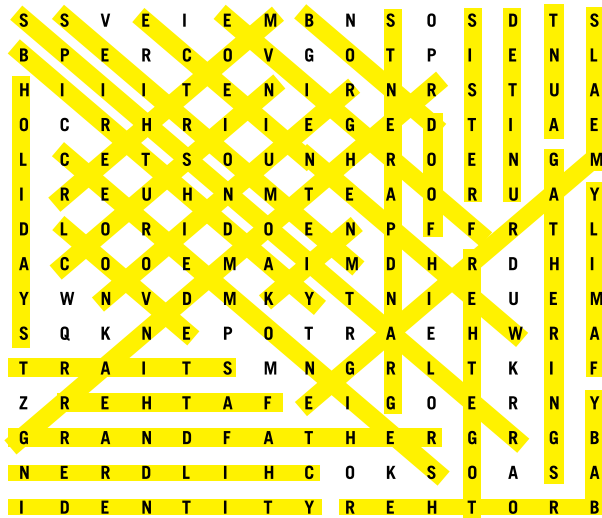
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| Aunt | Children | Gatherings | Identity | Mother | Together |
| Baby | Cousin | Grandfather | Kin | Nephew | Traits |
| Birthday | Family | Grandmother | Love | Niece | United |
| Bond | Father | Grandparents | Marriage | Relationships | |
| Brother | Food | Heart | Meals | Reunion | |
| Ceremonies | Forgive | Holidays | Memories | Sister | |



Reunion Wordfind Solution

Wordfind Puzzle Answers



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Thank you so much for taking the time to visit our site and downloading these ice-breaker ideas. We hope this reunion is the best you've ever had!

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