ICE BREAKER

Space Journey Choices

Key idea: Making decisions

Getting started:
1. Greet the group and ask the members to introduce themselves.
2. Explain that today’s session will begin with an exercise that will help us recognize how we make decisions about using resources. You might want to use the definition for making decisions in the Key ideas table.

Activity:
To begin, ask the group to close their eyes and imagine taking a trip to outer space. Have them think about all the choices they have for cargo. Ask each person to decide on only three choices of things to take that will bring the best results for their space trip. Give the group a couple of minutes to think.

Next, ask the group to open their eyes. Move around the group asking each person what they decided to take into space. Ask the group if it was difficult to choose only three items to carry into space. How did they decide?

Remind the group that decisions are never easy when time, space or resources are limited. Ask the group to look for decisions in today’s story.

SUGGESTED FOR USE WITH THE FOLLOWING BOOKS:

- Sheep in a Shop
- Alexander, Who Used to Be Rich Last Sunday
- A Bargain for Frances
- Curious George Saves His Pennies

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