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## Games, Nature, & Experiments Game of Things

**Estimated Time:** 10 – 60 minutes (depending on how many rounds)

**Age range:** All grades

**What you need:** at least four participants, small pieces of paper (one per each person; a blank side for each round), writing utensil

### **Background Information:**

A game of things is a limited material game where all you need is your creativity, some paper, and writing utensils. The game is best played with at least four people, but there is no limit to the amount of players who can join in—the more people, the greater the challenge!

See instructions on the next page to get started.

# Game of Things

## Instructions:

- One person creates a prompt.

*For example: what are 3 things you would bring with you if you had to live on an island for a week?*

- All players, including the person who created the prompt, will then write their answer to the prompt and their name down on a small piece of paper.
- The person who created the prompt collects all the pieces of paper and reads them to the whole group.
- Once all answers have been read aloud, the person to the left of the reader will attempt to match one of the answers with the person who wrote it.
  - If they are correct, they will hold on to the piece of paper and try and match another answer with a player.
  - If they are incorrect, the next player in the circle will attempt to match an answer to a player.
  - This will continue until all of the pieces of paper have been matched with who wrote them.
- The only player who does not guess is the person who created the prompt and read the answers aloud.
- Once all of the answers have been matched with a player, a new player will then create a prompt and the process begins again.

## Prompt Ideas:

You can use the following prompts for your Game of Things, or simply use them as inspiration for your own prompts!

- Things dogs are actually saying when they bark
- Things that are harder than they look
- Things you can never find
- Things you would name a rollercoaster
- Things there should be an award for
- Things they don't teach you in school
- Things you would buy with a million dollars
- Things you can make with a roll of toilet paper
- Things you would name your personal water brand
- Things you can float down a river on