

Coaster Icebreaker - pack of 6

This game will work well with groups of 6 or more people. It is a catalyst to get people solving a puzzle in groups of six so that they will find it easier to talk to each other.

You will need...

Tables large enough for 6 people

Packs of Change a Life coasters (one coaster per guest)

Preparation before the event

Before the event place the coasters on the tables face up, so that the images of individual priests or religious are visible.

Make sure you have one of each of the pack of six on the same table.

Activity

Begin the activity by asking everyone to turn their coasters over.

Ask them, in groups of six, to solve the picture puzzle.

Ask them to tell you the message it reveals.

Extention activity

Once the quote has been revealed, invite the group to talk about their reaction to this quote.

Do they agree, disagree, or need some help to decide? Why?

Coaster Mixer - birds of a feather

This game will work well with groups of 18 or more people and aims to mix the group and get people talking to those they do not know.

You will need...

Tables (minimum of 6 tables)

Packs of Change a Life coasters (one coaster per guest)

Preparation before the event

Before the event place the coasters on the tables face up, so that the images of individual priests or religious are visible.

Place coasters of the same image on the same table.

Activity

Begin by asking the group to tell those present to look at their coaster and tell each other whether they noticed it when choosing where to sit. **If so**, ask them to tell each other why they chose it. **If not**, ask them to tell each other what this image says to them about the priesthood or consecrated life.

Let the group know you are about to ask them to move, to find 5 other people each with a different coaster. (A free round of drinks or nibbles, may be a good motivator)

NB If you have anyone who will find it difficult to move, encourage others to move towards them.

Ask them, in groups of six, to solve the picture puzzle.

Ask them to tell you the message it reveals.

Extention activity

Once the quote has been revealed, invite the group to talk about their reaction to this quote.

What their reaction to the change of seats they were asked to make in activity? Why?

What do they think of change?