

The Pig Test

Time Required: 5 minutes

Size of Group: Unlimited

Materials: Paper, Marker Pen

An icebreaker that can be used to add a bit of humour

Procedure

1. Give each person a sheet of paper and a marker pen and tell them to draw a pig
2. After everyone has finished drawing their pig, read out the following information:
3. “The pig serves as a useful test of personality traits of the drawer. If the pig is drawn
 - towards the top of the paper, you are positive and optimistic
 - towards the middle, you are realistic
 - towards the bottom, you are pessimistic and have a tendency to behave negatively
 - facing left, you believe in tradition, are friendly and remember dates birthdays
 - facing right, you are innovative and active, but don't have a strong sense of family, nor do you remember dates
 - facing front on, you are direct, enjoy playing devil's advocate and neither fear nor avoid discussions
 - with many details, you are analytical, cautious and distrustful
 - with few details, you are emotional, you care little for details and are a risk taker
 - with fewer than 4 legs showing, you are insecure or are living through a period of major change
 - with 4 legs showing, you are secure, stubborn and stick to your ideals, if there are more than 4 legs, you are stupid!
 - The size of the ears indicates how good a listener you are — the bigger the better!
 - “Who didn't draw a tail on their pig?” The length of the tail indicates the quality of your sex life — again more is better. “OK, so who had the longest tail?”
4. You may wish to have the participants stick their drawings on the wall as a display during training — they can be referred to humorously during the training