

WHO OWNS THE FISH, WHO DRINKS WATER?

Game time: 60 minutes

Group of 10 person or subgroups

Instruction card/ Game cards/ Reflection form

Learning goal:

- Participants experience the advantage of team work cooperation
- Participants experience the pitfall of thinking patterns
- Participants experience solving problem when you step out of your own thinking patterns

Description of the exercise

- This is a group assignment that has to be solved with all participants together
- There is one central question that you need to answer

“Who owns the fish, who drinks water?”

- To answer this question you will receive 18 written instructions
- You get 30 minutes to come up with a solution to the quest
- Only by sharing all the information, by listening to each other, by thinking logically, by stepping out of your thinking frame; by working close together and respecting each others qualities, you will get your answer.
- There are different kind of pitfalls you can be confronted with: keeping information to yourself, be bored and quit, stick onto your thinking frame/ solution, etc.

Information Cards

- A. In a street there are 5 houses, painted in five different colours
- B. In each house lives a person of a different nationality
- C. These five home owners each drink a different kind of beverage, smoke a different brand of cigar and keep a different pet.

“Who owns the fish, who drinks water?”

Hints

- 1 The Brit lives in a red house
- 2 The Swede keeps dogs as pets
- 3 The Dane drinks tea
- 4 The Green house is next to, and on the left of the White house
- 5 The owner of the Green house drinks coffee
- 6 The owner who smokes Pall Mall rears birds
- 7 The owner of the Yellow house smokes Dunhill
- 8 The man living in the centre house drinks milk
- 9 The Norwegian lives in the first house
- 10 The man who smokes Blends lives next to the one who keeps cats
- 11 The man who keeps horses lives next to the man who smokes Dunhill
- 12 The man who smokes Blue Master drinks beer
- 13 The German smokes Prince
- 14 The Norwegian lives next to the Blue house
- 15 The man who smokes Blends has a neighbour who drinks water

The 5 Houses -answer grid

	1	2	3	4	5
Colour					
Nationality					
Smoke					
Drink					
Pet					

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The 5 Houses - the correct answer

	1	2	3	4	5
Colour	Yellow	Blue	Red	Green	White
Nationality	Norwegian	Danes	Brit	German	Swede
Smoke	Dunhill	Blends	Pall Mall	Prince	Blue Master
Drink	Water	Tea	Milk	Coffee	Beer
Pet	Cats	Horses	Birds	Fish	Dogs