

Chit Chat Cube Lesson Planning

Overview

The Chit Chat Cube is a conversation starter tool designed to promote communication skills in small and large group settings. This activity is ideal for classroom settings, therapy sessions, social skills groups, and can be used as a supplementary activity to reinforce social communication skills taught in Floreo VR experiences.

Learning Objectives

- Encourage expression and spontaneous communication through use of speech or AAC
- Practice turn-taking in conversation
- Develop question-answering skills
- Support narrative development and personal sharing
- Promote active listening

Materials Needed

- Printed Chit Chat Cube template (color or black and white)
- Scissors
- Glue stick or tape
- Optional: Cardstock for printing (for durability)
- Optional: Lamination materials (for long-term use)

Assembly Instructions

- Print the template on regular paper or cardstock (recommended for durability)
- Cut along the outer border of the cube template (the solid line forming a cross shape)
- Fold along all inner lines to create creases where the cube will fold
- Apply glue or tape to the tabs marked on the template
- Fold and secure the cube by attaching the tabs to the adjacent panels
- Allow glue to dry completely before using (if using glue)
- Optional: Laminate the template before cutting and assembling for extra durability

Activity Instructions

Whole Group

- Have Learners sit in a circle
- First Learner rolls the cube
- Learner answers the question that lands face up
- Learner passes the cube to the next person
- Continue until everyone has had at least one turn

Small Group Variation

- In groups of 3-4 Learners, have the first Learner roll the cube
- Learner answers the question that lands face up
- ALL group members take turns answering the SAME question
- Next Learner rolls the cube for a new question
- Continue until all students have had a chance to roll

Partner Activity

- Pair Learners together
- First Learner rolls the cube and answers the question
- Partner asks follow-up questions (at least 2) to practice conversation skills
- Switch roles and repeat



Differentiation Strategies

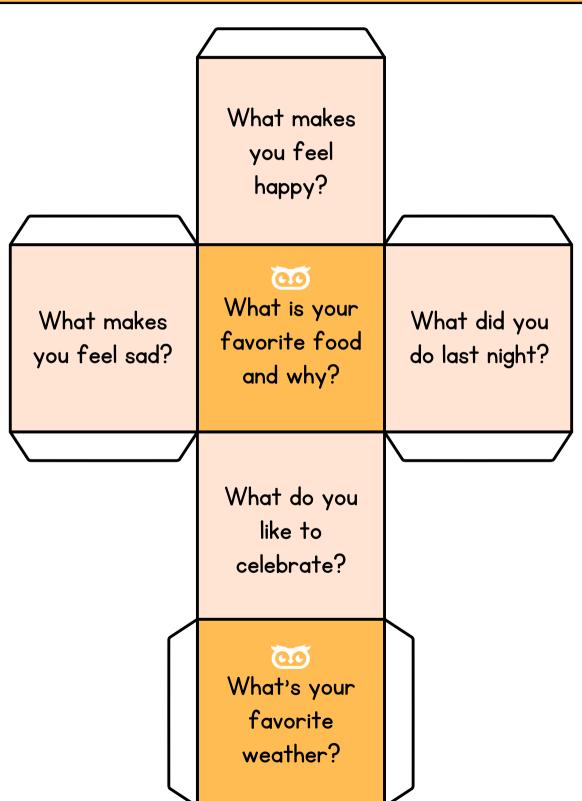
For Learners with limited language skills

- Allow pointing to pictures/symbols as responses
- Provide visual choice boards related to each question
- Accept single-word answers and model expanded responses
- Use a communication device if available

For Learners with strong language skills

- Require multi-sentence responses
- Add "why" follow-up to all answers
- Have Learners create their own questions for a custom cube
- Assign active listening tasks (e.g., "Remember one fact about each person's answer")

Conversation starters for small and large group settings.





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What makes you feel happy?

What makes you feel sad?

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What is your favorite food and why?

What did you do last night?

What do you like to celebrate?



What's your favorite weather?



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What is your favorite thing about yourself?

What are your hobbies / interests?

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Make your own Chit Chat Cube!

