

## Activity 21

“Ask and Answer!”

Goals: develop critical questions / respond to critical questions

One student talks for one minute about a topic  
(can be any topic she wants to talk about)

The group politely asks questions, each no longer than 15 seconds; the student who held the speech has to answer briefly.

Variation of the activity:

The speaker holds her speech again, now including the answers to the questions in her speech.

Another variation:

Teacher gives a debate topic to two groups, one receives a yes-position, the other the no-position.

The teams debate with each other. A panel of questioners poses 3 questions to one of the debate team – answered briefly by the debate team – another panel of questioners poses three questions to the other debate team – also followed by short answers by that team.