

SOCIAL EMOTIONAL LEARNING

SOCIAL SKILLS ACTIVITY

SOCIAL SKILL: WAITING & INTERRUPTING APPROPRIATELY

CASEL COMPETENCY: SELF-MANAGEMENT

ACTIVITY INFORMATION

Activity: Listen To This

Grade Levels: 3-6

Prep Time: 10-15 min

Activity Time: <30 min

MATERIALS AND ADVANCED PREPARATION

Materials: Enough index cards for each student with one interesting fact about something the class is studying written on it.

Preparation: None needed.

ACTIVITY

Prepare enough index cards for each student in the class with an interesting fact from something you are studying as a class written on it. Try to find new facts about the topic that the students don't know about yet and will find interesting. Distribute one card to each student. Tell the student to find a partner and read their interesting fact to each other. When both are finished, they exchange cards. Students then find a new partner and repeat this process. End the process after about five minutes. Ask the students to discuss the most interesting fact they heard. Ask the students why listening is essential to having a good conversation. Ask the students why it is important to listen in order to learn. Discuss how we can never learn interesting things about each other or the world if we do not first learn how to listen.