

TITLE: Eliminate

IMPACT: Breaks the ice in a new group; calms down a rowdy group; focuses attention.

RISK: Low

GROUP SIZE: 8 or more

TIME REQUIRED: 5 minutes

DIRECTIONS:

1. Everyone stands in a circle with eyes closed and hands behind their backs.
2. The facilitator walks around the circle and taps one person on the hand. That person becomes "it."
3. Now everyone can open their eyes and hold hands.
4. The person who is "it" quietly squeezes the hand of the person to the right or left as many times as s/he wants.
5. The "squeezed" person passes the squeezes to the next person, but squeezing one fewer time than s/he was squeezed (i. e., if "it" passes 5 squeezes, the next person passes 4 squeezes, and so on).
6. The person who gets one squeeze announces it and guesses who was "it." If s/he guesses wrong, s/he is out. If s/he guesses correctly, "it" is out.

