



Game Begins for Sustainable Development Goals

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Bingo4SDGs







Type of The Game

Outdoor Game

Target Groups

Young people and Youth Workers

Duration

The duration of the game can vary depending on the number of participants and the desired level of engagement. It can be played as a short icebreaker activity or as a longer teambuilding exercise.

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Objectives

Participants will be able to

- To familiarize participants with the SDGs and their respective targets.
- To encourage participants to learn about and engage with sustainable development activities.
- To promote teamwork and collaboration among participants.

Materials needed

- Bingo cards with activities related to the SDGs (one for each participant)
- Writing utensils (e.g., pens, markers)
- Optional: prizes for winners (e.g., small tokens or certificates)

Instructions

- Introduce the game: Explain the purpose of Bingo SDGs, which is to bring participants together and form groups with similar characteristics based on their shared activities related to the SDGs.
- Distribute Bingo cards: Provide each participant with a Bingo card containing various activities related to the SDGs.
- Explain the rules: Instruct participants that the goal of the game is to complete a line (horizontal, vertical, or diagonal) of activities on their Bingo card.
- Perform activities: Participants should individually engage in activities listed on their Bingo cards. These activities can include actions like volunteering for a local environmental initiative, promoting gender equality, or learning about sustainable consumption.
- Find group members: When a participant completes an activity mentioned on their card, they should find others who have also completed the same activity. Once a group is formed, the participant's name should be written under the corresponding activity on each member's card.
- Form teams: Participants can form teams based on their Bingo cards. They can join forces with others who have completed activities in the same row, column, or diagonal on their cards.

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- Reflect and discuss: After the game, facilitate a group discussion to share experiences, insights, and lessons learned from engaging in the SDG-related activities.
- Award prizes: If desired, award prizes to the winning team or individual as a token of recognition and encouragement.

Tips for facilitator/adaptations/notes...

- Customize activities: Consider tailoring the activities on the Bingo cards to the interests and local context of the participants to make them more relevant and engaging.
- Promote inclusivity: Ensure that the activities listed on the Bingo cards cover a broad range of SDGs, allowing participants with various backgrounds and interests to participate and contribute.
- Encourage creativity: Encourage participants to think creatively and propose their own activities related to the SDGs that align with their skills, resources, and passions.
- Facilitate networking: Encourage participants to interact with one another, share experiences, and form connections beyond the game, fostering a sense of community and collective action.
- Provide additional resources: Share additional resources, such as websites or documents, where participants can find more information about the SDGs and related activities

Useful links/further reading

- United Nations Sustainable Development Goals: https://sdgs.un.org/
- Sustainable Development Goals Knowledge Platform: https://sustainabledevelopment.un.org/