

# HOW TO INCREASE PARTICIPATION

Pick the participation tools that are best for your group.

## What is my goal?

### INTRODUCE MATERIAL

Avoid being the “sage on the stage.” Ask questions and have people think through the material before divulging answers.

- Answer Boards
- Flash Cards
- Jeopardy Games
- Audience Response Systems



### GET PHYSICAL

Invite movement by integrating experiential or content-reinforcement games:

- Tabletop Jeopardy
- Move Your Body Thumball
- Teambuilding games
- Learning Football
- Paper Airplanes / Paper Balls



### PRACTICE & QUIZ

Play quick-response games to improve memory and retention (but don't leave slower thinkers behind!)

- Jeopardy game with Me First! or Who's First?
- Toss and recall games (Koosh)
- Create-your-own Thumball



### SPARK CONVERSATION

Make it easy to be vocal by providing discussion prompts.

- Thumballs
- Photo Decks
- Conversation Starter Deck



### CHECK UNDERSTANDING

Use a tool that will allow every person to answer. Be sure to give your group time to think!

- Answer Boards
- Audience Response Systems
- Write it and Show it on paper



### HAVE FUN

Encourage participation by giving prizes to the brave souls who open up!

- Prize Wheels
- Scratch & See



### COMMIT TO ACTION

Ensure that learning is applied by asking participants to write down (and commit to) next steps.

- Start-Stop... Notes
- What? Trio Sticky Notes

