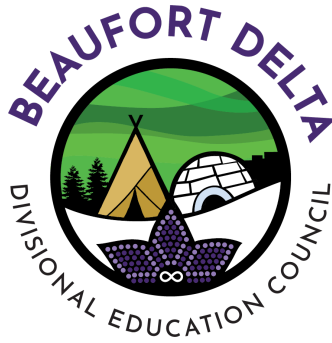




Inside-Outside Circle

The Inside-Outside Circle strategy offers opportunities for students to engage in discussions where they experience a variety of ideas and perspectives. Every student gets a chance to speak with, and listen to, different people. No time is spent waiting. It is an effective way to share/explore learning in the content areas.

Procedure

1. Direct students to find a partner and number themselves One and Two.
2. Direct all Number ones to stand in a circle facing out. Have Number Twos stand facing their partners (outside circle facing in).
3. Pose a question and have students think about the question for about 30 seconds.
4. Have Partner One share his/her answer or solution with Partner Two. When Partner One is finished they say, "Pass". Partner Two paraphrases what Partner One said and then adds their own response, which Partner One then paraphrases to complete the run.
5. Rotate the circle one person to the left or right.
6. Either direct new partners to share responses or pose a new question. Repeat the process from Steps 4 to 6.

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