

Networking Bingo

Lesson plan

Aims

To highlight why networks are important and start recognising and developing their own network.

Mapping

DYW: CES – ‘I Can’ Statements	CMS Competencies
★ ‘I Can’ identify and access support networks that will help me into a positive destination beyond school	★ I develop and maintain a range of relationships that are important for my career journey

Learning Outcomes

- Pupils will understand what a network is
- Pupils be able to identify who may be in their network
- Pupils will understand how networks can support them
- Pupils will begin to understand how their network can be expanded

Development of Activity:

Introduction

Young people will learn the importance of networking through a fun game.

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Instructions

You can use these instructions for your young people to explain the activity.

A work-around has been included for those who can't print the worksheet. You can give this option to young people at the time and in the way you think best.

Before you start

- ★ Print out the 'Networking Bingo' worksheet or draw on a piece of paper (you can add your own ideas to the blank template)
- ★ Ask an adult if you can use a computer/tablet/smart phone to talk to people you can network with Networking Bingo
- ★ Talk to different people that you know and see who can support with each of the activities on the worksheet
- ★ Think about how you can bring this person into your network – For example, keeping in contact through e-mailing, having a shared interest
- ★ Talk to a family member/friend about how each person would be helpful in achieving your goal

Follow-up

Reinforce to young people that it's not always the same person that they will go to for support and that it is useful to have a wide-ranging network of people.