

SIGN-IN PLEASE

- OBJECTIVE:** To give attendees a chance to become acquainted with other participants. (Mostly for large groups)
- MATERIALS:** Flip chart paper, markers, and adhesive to put paper on the walls.
- DIRECTIONS:** As participants enter the room, direct them to a pre-identified flip chart page posted on the wall. The flip chart page headings can be any of the following:
- Alphabet (could also group letters (i.e., A-D, E-H, etc. depends on size of group)—write their name on the appropriate flip chart page.
 - States by names, or groups of names alphabetically (i. e, Alabama to Connecticut, etc.) –participants write the city where they were born, and their name after it.
 - Favorite color (primary colors on flip chart)(could be used for a smaller group—they sign their name and any deviation (i.e., under red they may write pink)
 - Once everyone has signed in, have them stand by their chart,
 - Form groups of four to five, and discuss three things they have in common.
- CONCLUSION:** Debrief could include:
- What surprises did you find?
- What unique things did you find that you had in common with the others in your group?
- Do you feel there is a connection that may go beyond today?
- NOTES:** This activity can vary according to the situation. Groups can be smaller or larger. Topics can be anything of the facilitator's choice. The main objective is to have people find something in common so participants feel “connected” to the group.