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Fishing for Friends

Purpose

To help children identify classmates with whom they can develop friendships. Really fun!

Materials Photos

Photos of individual classmates, smooth-edged metal juice lids,

fishing poles, magnets

Procedure

Before class, glue the children's photos onto the metal lids. Attach the magnets to the fishing poles. Ask the children to sit in a circle, and scatter the juice lids in the center of the circle. Give one child a fishing pole, and instruct her to fish for a classmate by dangling her line over the pile of lids. Once she has caught a friend, that child gets the pole and takes her turn fishing. The juice lid is returned to the center, and the pole is passed from child to child according to the catch.

Once children understand the game, you can hand out several poles to be used simultaneously.