

## FISH TANK FUN

What if you were a fish?

Entry Level Challenge:

1. Your team is a school of fish. Tank life is boring! Your challenge is to say what you can do to make your life more exciting. (You must pass a small can of tuna in turn, answering only when you are holding the tuna can. You will have one minute to think and two minutes to respond. Common answers receive one point, creative and/or humorous responses will receive three points.)

Coaches: Try a challenge like this more than once within a spontaneous practice session. Tape the answers if you can, and allow the team to discuss and discover how they could have given more answers, more creative answers, or brainstormed off the answers that were given by their teammates.

Advanced Level Challenge:

1. Take a look at the fish in this tank. What are they saying? Not much you say? Perhaps they are communicating in a language that only they understand. Your problem will be to communicate non-verbally to your fishy teammates to solve your problem. Your problem is to navigate obstacles, being guided only by the non-verbal communication of your teammates to get to the food.

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You have three minutes to create a non-verbal form of communication so the remaining team members guide those two members of your team through the grid to find the food. They may start at either start corner. Erect a barrier so that communicating team members can not see the grid. You have three minutes to create a non-verbal way to communicate without touching any team member. You have two minutes to be guided through the grid.

Coaches: Create various obstacles. Try this on paper, then try this in a room with obstacles and two members blindfolded. How many different ways can your team communicate non-verbally? Give them a few items to use as communication devices. How has their methods changed? Let them explore their 'tank.'