

# Contributing to Project Planning



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## Introduction

### **Just before we start...**

First you must have an idea of an activity or event or function that you would like to do. You are going to apply the Project Planning methodology to doing this activity.

This way of working will make you smarter and more adaptable to all the things you face at school or at home.

The Enterprise Centre team have designed this work, and it will give you the background knowledge to Project Planning. You are going to apply this knowledge by working together and doing lots of practical activities in a fun way using your teachers to help you.

There are activities to help you focus your mind and relax so that you enjoy everything. This also will help you to understand more about how you tick as a person, and as a team member.

These parts of the book are called Fun Time.

### **Are you ready? Then lets begin...**

## Resources needed

**Thick string or rope.**

**Flip charts and stands.**

**Post-it notes.**

**Pens for charts and students.**

**Some small packets of edible nibbles e.g raisons.**

**Coloured card.**

**Music of choice.**

**Templates can be found at:**

**[www.theenterprisecentre.co.uk/downloads](http://www.theenterprisecentre.co.uk/downloads)**

## Activity 1 :: Icebreaker

You will need a rope or length of string.

**Make a big circle out of the rope and everyone stands inside... OK that was easy.**

Next make the circle smaller and repeat the exercise, continue to make it smaller and smaller, this shows how you have to hold on to each other to stay in the circle. This demonstrates how to work as a team and to understand that relying on support from others is important if you all want to achieve your goals.

**It is a bit like playing Twister and its fun.**

**Do you know any other team games?**



**Write on a flip chart what you have learnt from this game.**

## Activity 2 :: Projection

**One of the students will throw the (cuddly toy) to the teacher, when we did it we called ours 'Henry'.**

**Q1.** What is another word for throw?  
Think of a javelin.

When people say - what is a project? They mean they are doing something that starts with the end in mind. Something for them to aim at.

They 'project' thoughts and actions to get to their goals.

When you think about Projects you should think about them as if you're on a journey (like if you were going on holiday).

You also need to know...

- All projects have a start, a middle and an end.
- They are always Team Focused (it wouldn't be much fun alone LOL)
- They are always focused on what happens at the end – that is an 'output' or a result!
- They're always about making things change and something different usually happens as a result of what has been done .



Answers Q1. We 'projected Henry'; The word Project means? - To throw forward.

## Activity 3 :: DPIE

You will need post it notes and a flip chart.

Think about a holiday?

What are all the things you have to think about before you go?

Use the post it notes (6 each) stick them to the wall on the flip chart.

The teacher will now organise them into D.P.I.E. on the flip chart.

The Story of D Pie – Many of you will have heard of apple pie, or cherry pie, or steak pie or cottage pie, what pie is your favourite?

Well this is different, this is D Pie. This will help you to remember the letters, which in turn will help you to remember the words.

Now lets talk about DPIE. These letters represent the different stages in the Project Life Cycle. The words in full are:

- D**efinition
- P**lanning
- I**mplementation
- E**valuation

