

Matchbook Definitions

Information Processing: Organizing and Integrating

PROCESS

- Following the introduction of a topic, groups craft a “matchbook” definition.
- Like a matchbook, very few words can be used (8–12).
- Groups have 5 minutes to craft and post the definition.

ALTERNATIVES

- Use this strategy to check understanding by summarizing conclusions from a discussion or dialogue.

TIPS

- Set something aside. Save it for a different task.
- Keep the definitions posted for later reference.
- Use half sheets of chart paper to encourage short definitions.