



Instructions- for Teachers

You will need one large sheet of paper measuring at least one metre tall and wide. Alternatively, just use any large piece of paper like flip chart paper or the back of some old wallpaper, or simply tape several smaller sheets together.

Draw 5 circles on the sheet of paper, one inside the other, and number them 1 to 5. Your largest circle (number 5) should almost touch the edges of the paper, and your smallest (number 1) should be about 25cm in diameter (about the width of an A4 sheet).

Your sheet of paper should look something like this:



Playing the Game

This game is an easy way to help your members decide together which actions your school could try to take next.

What to do:

1. Place your game sheet on a flat table or on the floor so that all the members of your action group can see it.
2. Scatter the printed cards, plus the blank cards, all around the edges of the outer circle.
3. Start by getting all group members to look at the pre-printed cards and find any that aren't suitable for your school or that you may have already done. Write any additional ideas they have on the blank cards (one idea per card).
4. Next, ask everybody in your group to walk round the table once, looking at each card as they go. Each member of your group can choose the action that they think your school could tackle next and move it one circle towards the centre. If more than one person chooses the same card, each of them should move it up one circle. For example, if three people have chosen the same card, each person will move it up one circle so now it will be in circle. Once they have moved a card they cannot move it back again.

Tip: It's important that everyone decides on their own, so don't let any of the participants try to influence the others.

5. Repeat this action three times so that each group member has had the opportunity to move 3 cards one space. You will be left with some cards still outside the circle and others which have been moved into the circles.
6. Next, collect up all of the cards that are still around the outside edge and put them back in the box (These are the actions the group have decided not to take forward at this stage.)
7. The cards nearest the central circle are the actions which your members believe are most important.
8. Congratulations – you now all agree on your actions! Write down all the actions left on the board on the action sheet, write the ones closest to the middle of the board first, working your way towards the outside.
9. Now you are ready to work out how and when you can start the actions you have chosen. The Action Plan will help you to do this.