


5 Ways to "Flip the Script"

Open the door to possibilities and flip the "I'm bored" script with these suggestions:



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WONDER WALK



The idea is to create and record as many "I wonder..." statements as possible as you walk around and make observations.

"I wonder why the sky is blue," or "I wonder how a microwave works."

Allow for any responses, even silly ones: "I wonder how boogers are formed."

Share them with us on Facebook and we'll sing about them on Friday's morning show.

DIGITAL GUESS WHO



Guess Who is a game where two players each have an identical set of images - usually 25 cartoon faces. After each player randomly selects a character, they take turns asking each other yes-or-no questions: "Does she have a hat?" in order to guess the character "Your character is Susan!"

Let's play the same game, but this time each player has the same website--allowing you to play over the phone or text.

For younger learners they can ask about physical characteristics: "Does your character have brown hair?" While older players can ask about biographic information: "Does your character look for planetary biosignatures?" (hint, hint).

Can you guess who my character is? ([click here](#)).

MICROSCOPIC OBSERVATIONS

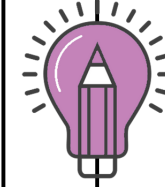


The micro world can be amazing, and clip-on microscopes for phones will be one of the coolest \$8 you've ever spent ([available on Amazon](#)).

However, if a microscope is not available to you, you can build your own from a repurposed laser pointer. [Click HERE to watch how](#)

After being fascinated at the micro, get creative--how would the world look from the viewpoint of an ant or a microbe? Draw pictures or tell a story of your micro existence.

ANGELS AND DEMONS



AKA Optimist and Pessimist

This game is fun to play when boredom sets in, plus it provides a fun and acceptable way to be both negative and sickeningly optimistic.

After deciding who will be the angel and who will be the demon, the demon starts with a complaint ("Ugh, it's raining outside") and the angel tries to turn it into a positive by giving a reason to be optimistic ("Yeah, but that rain will help the flowers grow.")

The fun comes when either side has to try and overcome the other's opinion using reason ("Yeah, but flowers have pollen which give me allergies" ... "But allergies are nature's way of keeping your nose clean.")

The round is over when a player can't provide a reason ("Yeah, but...but..."). The roles then switch and the next round begins with a different complaint.

STEAM EN ESPAÑOL



One of the channels on numinds.tv is a hands-on STEAM lesson presented completely in Spanish.

Not only are the projects fun and use simple supplies, but the videos are a great immersive language experience for all levels.

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