

BUZZ GROUPS & THE NEIGHBOR NUDGE

gets everyone talking

Buzz Groups = **6 people, 1 topic, 6 minutes**



"Neighbor Nudge" ask everyone to speak to just the one person sitting next to them.

Both of these methods are effective in soliciting opinions or viewpoints.

1. Strengths

- * Small groups encourage the quiet ones to open up
- * Everyone may not have a strong opinion, but can usually make some intelligent comment
- * Everyone sings out [even in a class of 150] but it only takes a few minutes
- * Afterwards, you ask if anyone HEARD a great, different, creative, or valuable comment to tell what they heard from their neighbor [or group].

2. Weaknesses

Non-participation & resistant persons.
 Some say first thing that comes to mind.
 Leader is unaware of the weight of the discussion on various members.
 Neighbor Nudge—participants might not know each other.
 Not ok for some topics. Various topics need a "trust factor" before some people will open up.

3. Tips

- * Buzz Groups = 6 minutes, everybody speaks, no one more than 1 minute
 - * Get feedback from leader of every group just the one very best thing which was said
 - * Leader, in 10 words make it very clear what they are to discuss or resolve, repeat it!
 - * "Choose a group leader" = "You may appoint-your-friend-so-you-won't-get-chosen"
 - * Leader "floats" from group to group
- * Neighbor Nudge = 2 minutes
 - both must speak
 - good topics = share opinion, favorite verse, application, find key word or thought together

4. Examples of good topics

- * What was the best sermon pastor gave last month [year]?
- * What is your favorite verse to use when witnessing?
- * What is your favorite book of the Bible? Verse? Bible character? Attribute of God? Miracle?
- What is the hardest parable to understand?
- What do you think are the 3 most important words in our memory verse?

