# Good Morning

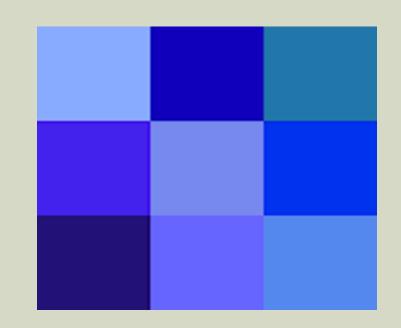
# GROUND RULES FOR DIVERGENT THINKING

- >ACCEPT ALL IDEAS: DON'T JUDGE OR RANK
- >BE INSPIRED & TAKE IDEA PIGGY-BACKS
- >LET IDEAS SIMMER & INCUBATE
- >REACH FOR WILD AND UNUSUAL IDEAS
- >SAY YES TO THE MESS



## THE QUESTION

Blue



This is the answer.

Brainstorm the questions.

We create to commune with something deep within but also bigger than ourselves, to find and sit in our bliss, to connect and contribute to the richness and complexity of the future and the past.

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## WHY TEACH CREATIVITY?

#### Teaching creative thinking strategies:

promotes positive attitudes, curiosity, motivation, risk-taking, and improves levels of creativity

promotes engagement and an emotional connection

enhances learning and memory

### INNOVATIVE: CREATIVE

"You don't get to be more innovative, until you make yourself more creative FIRST." (MacGuinness)



Innovative:creative :: external:internal

## Prepare the Field & the Person

- Establish rules of divergent thinking
- Provide time to mentally warm up
- Shake things up a bit
- Encourage cross pollination
- Give appropriate & timely feedback
- Embrace 'Failing Forward' and be a Data Collector
- Tolerate ambiguity

## CREATIVITY WARM UPS

- List Five Things
- Fat Chance
- Draw a face or object with your non-dominant hand
- Analyze attributes
- Mirror drawing
- The Question Key



## CONVERGENT & DIVERGENT





# **Cognitive Components**

- Fluency
- Flexibility
- Originality
- Elaboration

# Affective Components

- Curiosity
- Complexity
- Risk-taking
- Imagination naïveté



Fluency is the quantity of details, ideas.

Consider the flow of a river, ideas, knowledge flow freely.



Flexibility is the variety of responses, the diversity of relevant details.

Flexibility is like a rubber band, stretching to include a variety of options.



**Originality** is the AHA! idea, the unique & unexpected, the **NEW** perspective



Elaboration is the texture, the color, the detail, the emotion, the JUICE in a juicy idea.

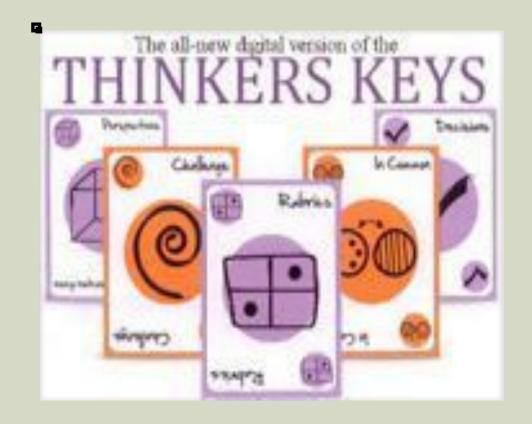
It is that which makes an idea come to life and lets us communicate our thinking.

## THE THINKER'S KEYS



Tony Ryan is an Australian learning consultant who is obsessed with two things:

- 1. His own learning; and
- 2. Everyone else's learning



## MINI PROFESSIONALS

Barbies:
The Alphabet Key

Bob and
Power Rangers:
Combination Key

Smiley faces: The Picture Key Hello Kitties: The Forced Relationships Key

## JIGSAW YOUR KEYS



Form a new team of 4, with one person from each tribe.

You will each have 1 minute each to explain 'your' key to the others.

Use your scrapbooks for drawings, insights, notes and elaborations.

## CLOSING HEADLINES

Headlines have to be informative, catch your Attention, and be intriguing.

Write a newspaper headline which directly incorporates words from today's session.

Creative

Fluent

Wild

**Incubate** 

**Barbie** 

Key

Mess

**Pollinate** 

**Thinking** 

Warm-up

**Emotional** 

**Divergent** 

