

12. TELESCOPING

This method is useful when you have many options, ideas or possible solutions and you need to evaluate and restrict the team's choices. It is a matter of displaying the options, voting individually and giving each person an opportunity to explain and argue in favour of their preferences before making a common and informed choice.

Materials needed: Blackboard, cardboard, smartboard or sharable online board e.g. padlet..

Time required: 30–45 minutes.

How?

1) Create a list or a selection of options that are displayed for everyone to see.

2) Make the whole team select a restricted number of options (3 to 5) by placing a sticker, dot or coloured sign close to the selected option.

3) Discuss each selection to understand why it has been selected, and if more than one person has chosen an option they must explain their choice.

4) Underline or box in the options that have the most votes.

5) Discuss and agree on which one(s) you will be working on.