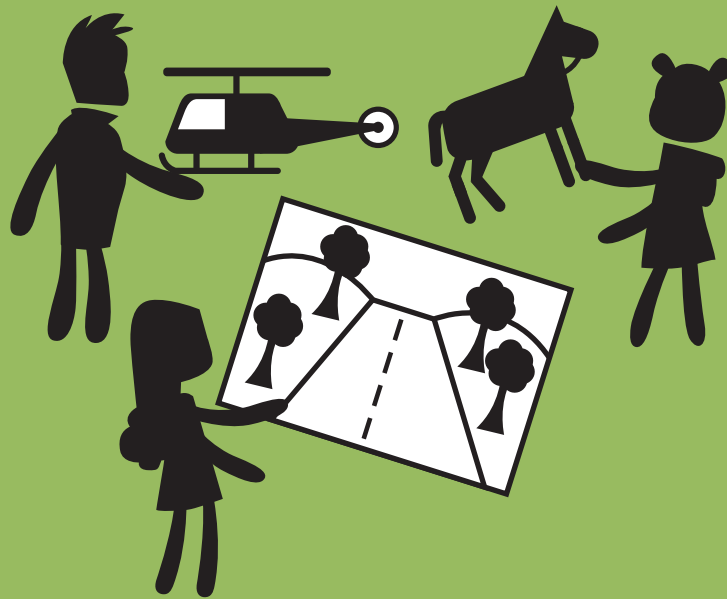


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Most people have some personal insights and experiences that relate to the work or project in question, and this method can expand individual perspectives in any school subject. Stories or objects from home or from close family members can be brought to school and become a personal starting point for example for a history lesson.

Materials needed: Doing some homework identifying stories or objects related to the challenge.

Time required: Some hours during the weekend or school week to collect the object and become familiar with the stories, and 45 minutes in class for everyone to present.

How?

- 1)** Every member of the groups is asked to think about the challenge at hand, to find and collect stories or objects that are relevant and bring them to school at a set date and time.
- 2)** Plan a sharing session where everybody has the same amount of time allotted to share their stories.
- 3)** The other group members take turns asking questions and note down answers.
- 4)** Are there any common themes or threads of thought that seem interesting? Write them down and be sure to take good pictures of the objects or write down the stories being told to bring them with you forward in the upcoming project or assignment.