**Empowerment Card Game** 

# [Game Objectives]

Focus on yourself by discovering what you like, what you are good at, and what your strengths are.

# [Number of players / Duration of play / Ages]

Recommended for 4 players (3-5 players) / 10-30 minutes / 8 years old and up

### [Game Contents]

40 illustration cards

### [Game 1] Ice Break

Objective: Get to know many ways of thinking and perspectives!

- (1) Place a stack of cards face down, turn over 1 card, and measure 30 seconds at the same time by each card.
- (2) Within 30 seconds, say the things as much as you can imagine from that illustration.
- (3) Repeat.

### [Game 2] Self-Introduction

Objective: Explain yourself confidently and positively!

- (1) Place all the cards face up randomly.
- (2) Select 3 cards and explain about yourself with these cards.

#### **Game 3** YES BECAUSE GAME

Objective: Capture and speak well of oneself

- (1) Place a stack of cards face down and decide the 1st presenter.
- (2) 1st presenter turns over 1 card and talks about "what you like about yourself" and "what you are good at" with illustrations drawn in card, and "why".

\*Even if you think you cannot find any good at, try to look for it.

Example: "I interpret this card as  $\bigcirc\bigcirc\bigcirc$  and this is my strong point because..."

If it is a performance card, draw another card. Present it with its effect.

(3) Audience applauds and say some positive reaction or comments.

Example: "Wow! Nice!" etc.

(4) Presenter keeps the card (2) himself/herself, and the person next to left side of 1<sup>st</sup> presenter to repeat (2) until everyone has 3 illustration cards each.

<sup>\*</sup>It may be a good idea to introduce yourself using a maximum of 7 cards.

(5) Using the 3 cards, introduce yourself again and have a little free talk within a team.

### [Game 4] YOU HAVE TALENTS

Objective: Discover your strengths as seen by others and to realize his/her good points.

- (1) Randomly take cards (card numbers = minus 1 from the number of players), decide the 1<sup>st</sup> presenter, and other order will be followed by a clockwise direction.
- (2) 1st presenter picks 1 card from his/her hand and speaks about the strengths of one of the 2nd, 3rd, 4th players with that card.
  - Example: "I think this is your strength, I have a feeling that this is your strength, etc."
- (3) The receiver should return words in the affirmative, such as "Thank you," "That's right," or "That may be so".
  - \*Do not reply negatively, such as "No," "That's not true," etc.
- (4) Place the cards received face-up, beside you and players cannot pass the cards received to other members. Repeat this motion until there are no cards left in the hand.
- (5) At the end, the participants introduce themselves with 3 cards received. When everyone has finished, talk freely.

#### [Game 5] LET'S CHALLENGE!

Objective: Think some ideas together for things you are not good at or worried about.

- (1) Shuffle the face-down bundle of cards, give each person 3 cards and decide on a starting player.
- (2) Select 1 card from the 3 cards in the hand and talk about "what you are not good at and what you are worried about" with its illustration.
- (3) Audience responds to this and sympathize or give some advices.
- (4) In response to (3), the presenter makes a declaration. The card is kept in hand and the other 2 cards are returned to the deck. Do the same actions for other members of the group.
- (5) Repeat until there are 3 cards in hand for everyone to declare of challenge.
- (6) Make a declaration of challenge once again with these 3 cards and talk freely.

#### [Gate 6] SOCIAL CREATIVES

Objective: Realize the good things about this town and to think about further ideals.

- (1) Lay out all the cards face-up.
- (2) Take cards linked to the good points of this town and hold them as a hand card. (Each person can have as many cards as they like.)
- (3) When all the cards selected for this town, each person talks about why he or she took the cards and put them all in one place.

- (4) Choose the card which were not selected from (2) and (3) that you think "I wish I had this" and hold it as a card in your hand. (Each person can have as many cards as they like.)
- (5) When everyone's hands stop, talk about the reason why they chose.
- (6) Summarize "ideal vision of this town" by each team by referring to team members' opinions.

# [Gate 7] WELL-BEING

Objective: Communicate with multi-generations create fun together.

- \*Members of different generations can be more fun if possible.
- (1) Place the bundle of cards face down and decide the starting player.
- 2) Turn over 1 card with illustration, and think "a quiz that these members can say the same answer" within 1 minute.
- (3) Ask a question to team and after a thinking time (like 10 seconds), answer in "3, 2, 1".
- (4) The number of people whose answers are the same is the score.
- 4 people matching = 4 points, 3 people matching = 3 points,
- 2 points matching = 2 points (2 points even if split into 2,2)

No matching = 0 point

- (5) Repeat the same thing for everyone and collect the total score.
- (6) After everyone is done, think back on the quiz and free talk.