

FIVE PRINCIPLES OF COOPERATIVE LEARNING

Being good group member

Five guiding principles



- Mutual Respect - no put downs
- Attentive listening
- My fair share
- Right to pass
- Appreciation

No put downs, especially if...

- ...if someone makes a mistake
- ...if you disagree
- ...if you don't like the person
- ...the person acts conceited
- ...you know they are wrong
- ...you have more experience with the topic or task

ATTENTIVE LISTENING



- Remember back to the lessons in an earlier strand about effective listening
- Let others finish without interrupting
- Restate what you heard
- Ask questions of others if you don't understand

My fair share

- People hate it when you don't do your fair share and they have to "pick up the slack."
- Know what is expected of you and complete your part of the group's tasks
- Tell the group if you will have problems getting things done by the deadline



The right to pass



- If I do not know, I have the right to pass to someone else who knows, but only if I genuinely do not know; laziness is no excuse!
- If I don't feel like participating or contributing right now, that is fine, as long as I don't do that all the time and force everyone else to do all the work

Appreciation

- I need to be sure to thank others who help me or the group get a job done
- I need to show appreciation for the contributions of others
- Be grateful for times when others pick up my slack or help me when I am struggling

