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Problem Solving

These last 2 months, we've been asked to create activities around « problem solving » by several schools. We tried to follow some non-formal education rule but actually, we already set our own way of work: creativity. We created 2 activities for this topic: « Think about your school/town » and « The dumbest idea ».

Leadership

The Naval High School asked us in particular to work around leadership and problem solving. We thus proposed a energizer which is called « The Human Knot » that require to take initiatives from pupils who needed to untangle themselves after forming a chain of hands.

Team Building

It is easier for us to let the students work in groups because the majority is very shy and feels more comfortable to speak when they are in smaller groups. Since October, we let them work together and present their work to the whole class. They have a small amount of time so they need to build a group cohesion to come up with something « good » according to the instructions.



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About the workshops

We thought at first we would do only one workshop, just as in October, and go back to the schools we've already been to. However our popularity grew and we had to come back to classes we had some days before. Therefore we had to plan other activities to continue our work with them. Still around the same topic, we invented more activities (in total: more than 5 activities and 1 energizer)

About the results

The problem solving theme was difficult to follow as we didn't know how to entertain the students with our activities. So we kept changing things in our activities, sometimes changed the entire activity in order to adapt to all the schools. Although we already met the students, most of them were very shy to talk with us so it made the task even more difficult but we accepted the challenge. We continued our work around problem solving in December as well.

