

Guess the Risk (Y5-Y12)

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Age Group (Grades): 5-12

Lesson duration: Approx. 15 minutes

Aim: Students understand the types of risks associated with different water bodies and how to avoid them through exploration of various scenarios.

Notes

This activity is to expand the student's understanding of water associated risks and how risky situations arise. This activity includes student-led discussion on variables that lead to risk and how their choices can mitigate or exacerbate the risks.

Instructions

1. Depending on the number of students in class, students will be divided into 7 groups (ideally 3-5 students per group).
2. Each student will select a card and without looking at it, wear it on their forehead which will have a water associated risk written on it from the following list:
 - a. Storms/Bad weather
 - b. Algae/weeds
 - c. Strong currents
 - d. Deep water drop offs
 - e. Slippery edges
 - f. Cold water
 - g. Submerged objects (Logs, branches, etc.)
 - h. Underwater pipes and syphons
3. Students will help each other (one by one) to correctly guess their water associated risk by describing the risk without explicitly stating it.
4. The students should ask questions to gain more information about their water associated risk to engage students on why this can lead to an unsafe scenario.
5. Once enough information has been discussed, the students will begin to guess the risk that is on their card.
6. The game ends once all risks have been identified.

This activity can be scaled to a range of age groups. Younger students will need higher levels of support from their peers and the facilitator/ teacher. This can also be played one-on-one or as a class with some delegates chosen and the risks written above their heads on the board.

Resources

- Risk Cards
- Clips (optional)