Working method: Think - Share - Exchange with Magic Charts source Lotte van Egmond

Goal: to visualize the interaction and have participants work standing and actively. It promotes collaboration, reflection and active learning.

Step 1: Thinking (individually)

Duration:1-2 minutes

- 1. Assignment: The presenter writes an open question or assignment on a Magic Chart that hangs visibly in the room. Examples:
 - o General: "What makes a story exciting?"
 - o Corporate: "What causes of this problem can you name?"
 - o Education: "How do plants keep themselves alive?"
- 2. Give participants one minute to individually think about their answer. If necessary, have them write down key words on a notepad or their device.

Step 2: Share (in pairs)

Duration:2-3 minutes

- 1. Form pairs and gather the participants at the Magic Chart standing.
- 2. Each pair discusses and writes down one joint answer or insight on the Magic Chart.
 - o They may use words, sentences or drawings.
 - o Each pair must come up with a *unique* answer (no repetition of what has already been said).

Step 3: Exchange (group and interactive)

Duration:5 minutes

- 1. The presenter discusses the answers on the Magic Chart with the group.
 - o **Ask further**: Have participants explain why they gave this answer or how they came to a conclusion.
 - o **Making connections**: Use markers to draw connections, clusters or categories on the Magic Chart.
 - o Misconceptions: Recognize any misunderstandings and discuss them.
- 2. Provide additional explanations where necessary and connect the answers to the next step.

Variations and extensions

- 1. **Reflection**: Use the bottom half of the Magic Chart for participants to write their most important new insight after the discussion.
- 2. **Active deepening**: Allow participants to rotate between multiple Magic Charts with different questions or themes.
- 3. **Individual assignment**: Have participants take a photo of the completed Magic Chart and use it for an assignment or processing.







Why this approach?

- o Working standing: Promotes involvement, movement and an active attitude.
- o **Magic Charts:** Create a visual and tangible overview of ideas, allowing participants to feel more ownership over the process.
- o **Dynamics**: The alternation between individual thinking, working together and discussing in groups ensures deeper processing of the material.

Duration:10-15 minutes (depending on the exchange).





