

Meta Activity: Group vs Team

Throughout the course, you will need to examine and process information, ask and answer questions, construct your own understanding, and develop new problem-solving skills.



Questions (8 min)

Start time:

1. What are some advantages to working in groups/teams?

You get to know other people and make new friends. Different people have different backgrounds and skills. The responsibility is shared.

2. What are some disadvantages to working in groups/teams?

Some group members may decide not to contribute. One or two students may be absent. People may not always get along with each other.

3. Based on the images above, what is the difference between a group and a team? Come up with a precise answer.

A group is students who just sit by each other and turn in the same assignment. A team actually works together toward a common goal, drawing on each other's strengths.

4. How can working as a team help you accomplish the tasks described above? Give at least two specific examples.

Working as a team makes it easier to examine and process information, because different people have different perspectives. We can also develop new problem-solving skills by observing how each other approaches the problems.