

If I Could ...

Number of People	Approximate Time	Items Required
Unlimited number	1 minute per person	—

For large groups, this exercise works well. It helps the facilitator understand each person's personality, as well as the group's personality. For instance, if a lot of people mention politicians as the people they want to have dinner with, the facilitator learns politics is important to the group. Or if a lot of participants want to be writers, the facilitator learns writing is important to the group.

There are four variations to this exercise, so select one sentence and have each person take a turn filling in the blanks.

"If I could have dinner with any person, living or dead, I would choose _____ because _____."

"If I could vacation anywhere in the world I would choose _____ because _____."

"If I could choose to be anyone in the world I would be _____ because _____."

"If I could have any job in the world, I would choose to work as a _____ because _____."