## Inviting exotic associations

- •Start with a random prompt and ask what new ideas or associations can be created when put together with your problem or question
- •A random prompt can be anything...a color, a letter of the alphabet, a fly on the wall

## Multiplying your options

- Brainstorm without judgment
- Compare and contrast
- Exaggerate
- Mix and match

## Building on breakthroughs

- Creativity begins with the first breakthrough or solution, but it doesn't end there
- Try being more specific
- Extend your solution to a different problem
- Exhaust all possibilities; then exhaust again

## Reframing the problem

- Consider lateral solutions not straight-line solutions
- Think of the problem as the opportunity
- What if the problem never occurred?