

Broken Squares Judge Instructions

Your job is to be part observer and part judge. As a judge, you should make sure each participant observes the following rules:

1. There is to be no talking, pointing or any other kind of communicating
2. Participants may give pieces directly to other participants but may not take pieces from other members
3. Participants may not place their pieces into the center for others to take
4. It is permissible for a member to give away all the pieces to his/her puzzle even if he has already formed a square

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- 1 Who is willing to give away pieces of the puzzle?
- 2 Does anyone finish his/her puzzle and then withdraw from the group problem-solving?
- 3 Is there anyone who continually struggles with his piece, yet is unwilling to give any or all of them away?
- 4 How many people are actively engaged in putting the pieces together?
- 5 What is the level of frustration and anxiety?
- 6 Is there any turning point at which the group begins to cooperate?
- 7 Does anyone try to violate the rules by talking or pointing as a means of helping fellow members solve the problem?