

engaging with safety

10 ways to bring some fun and interest to your next safety meeting



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1. Have a team quiz. Questions could be as simple as which part of the body is most likely to be involved in an accident? Answer: Hand/Fingers/Thumb. If you can add an aspect of competition to the quiz, so much the better, even if it is just a small prize like a bar of chocolate or bunch of bananas (healthier option!)
2. Tell stories. From an early age we LOVE to hear captivating stories. For example, tell the story of Hansel & Gretel and ask them to come up with as many hazards as they can from the story! Stories of your own successes and failures with safety are great too. They have the personal touch that everyone can relate to. Just don't make it too much of an X-Factor style back story though!
3. Do you actually HAVE to use PowerPoint? Does it add anything to your meeting or does it make people switch off? What other visual tools could you use to help engage people?
4. If you do have to use PowerPoint use pictures instead of words. That way you give people hooks to remember things. You could even then do a quiz at the end and ask people if they remembered what the picture symbolised and give small or large prizes depending on your budget.
5. Arrange a team meeting where the only objective is to come up with 3 fun ideas to drive forward safety culture in your organisation or team.
6. Have shorter meetings. Most meetings drag on too long and can be more about the meeting than about the purpose of the meeting. If you are looking to improve safety, make that your main purpose. Have shorter presentations that communicate the key messages rather than going into every aspect of safety. Keep it focussed and moving. Better to have more time for discussion in an encouraging environment than to have to listen for hour after hour.
7. Bring in other unconnected people to present their take on safety. Think short 15 – 20 minute TED style guest speakers. They will bring a fresh outlook and that in itself is interesting. Ask people from your social or business network to help.
8. Use games in your meetings to open up discussions on key issues that you want to discuss. Playtime can generate so much creativity as it allows people to think differently to how they would normally operate in the work environment.
9. Task the meeting with designing a fun poster that communicates the importance of safety culture. When you ask people to help you they often respond with much more enthusiasm and passion than when you tell people to do something.
10. Bring in Fifth Dimension, an experienced duo of safety professionals who have dedicated their lives to helping make safety presentations fun, engaging and memorable...for all the RIGHT reasons!

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