

## Leadership Introduction: Bingo-Scavenger Hunt

### Facilitator Guide

**Purpose:** The purpose of this exercise is to introduce to the students the first requirement of leadership: purposeful interaction with other people.

**Method:** Leadership requires interaction with other people. Although leadership can be lonely, it can never occur when you are alone in a vacuum. This exercise is intended to force students to stand up and interact with other people, getting to know them as they prepare to work and talk together through the course of the day's training.

As facilitator, it is your responsibility to introduce the exercise, manage the time, and bring it to a successful conclusion.

**Goal:** The goal of this exercise is for students to have others sign their bingo cards

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### Timeline

Introduction: Five (5) minutes

Student interaction: Twenty (20) minutes

Conclusion: Five (5) minutes

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**Introduction (in your own words):** Leadership is something that happens in the real world. Anyone can be a leader in their imagination, in the stories they tell themselves and their friends. This exercise is intended to give you an opportunity to stand up and talk to real people, to find out more about those around you, so that as we move into discussions about leadership and exercises to practice that leadership, you will be prepared to lead.

You will each receive a bingo card; not all bingo cards are the same. You will seek initials from those around you for each square on your card. Each person may initial your bingo card only once. That means you need twenty-five separate people to initial your card. You will have twenty minutes from when I tell you to start.

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*Bingo!*

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**Conclusion (in your own words):** Thanks for playing! Anyone get all 25? Great! (Prizes.) Now that you know the people around you, you'll be prepared to discuss leadership together and work together the rest of the day. And now that you all have your legs working, feel free to keep using them as the day goes on. When it's your turn to speak, I invite you to stand up and speak—as a friend—to all these people on your bingo card, your friends. It's good practice for life, and good practice for leadership.