

WOULD YOU RATHER...? Icebreaker

Directions: Cut each of the following scenarios into slips and place in a bag or small box. Go around the room and ask students to select one slip of paper, read it aloud, and state which choice they would make and why.

Go to a local 2-year college and have no debt OR go to a top-notch 4-year college and graduate with debt?

Be the smartest person you know OR the most popular?

Work a series of jobs until you find what you love OR go right into a career that you stay in until you retire?

Be the star of your class in a small college OR be a regular student in a big college?

Start college with an idea of what you want to major in OR figure out your major during your first year of college?

Take an unpaid summer internship if you know it might lead to a job offer OR take a minimum wage summer job?

Sit in a large lecture hall for class OR a small “tutorial” group (usually 1 professor and 6-7 students)?

Get to a job interview on time but with a few mistakes in your resume OR fix your resume but arrive to the interview a little late?

Make headlines for saving someone’s life OR for winning a Grammy award?

Would you rather have a rewind button in your life OR have a pause button in your life?

Know everything there is to know (infinite knowledge) OR rule everything there is to rule (Infinite Power)?

Have a nice teacher who is bad at teaching OR a mean teacher that is great at teaching?

Have book smarts OR street smarts?

Do homework while listening to music, watching TV and Facebooking OR when it's dead quiet?

Be known as a famous leader OR a famous inventor?

Get rich through your own hard work OR through the lottery?

Know it all (smartest person in the world) OR have it all (richest person in the world)?

Live on campus OR live at home?

Work in your dream job but starting at the bottom of the ladder OR be a top executive at a company you're not really interested in?

Score high on the GED but get just passing grades in college OR score just at the passing point on the GED but get excellent grades in college?

Go right into college/career after getting your GED OR take some time off to work, experience life, and have fun before starting college/career?

Join the military OR go to college?

Join the military OR go right into work?

Do your homework in advance OR wait until the night before?

Go to the literacy assistance center on campus for help with a paper OR ask a friend or roommate?