

The Antiques Challenge



This Challenge is designed to promote powerful bonding and team spirit as well as providing a solid platform for observing teams in planning, managing resources, thinking creatively and working together.

This event is also great fun and appeals to the competitive nature in all of us.

It is based on a concept similar to the 'Antiques Road show': one of the BBC's most popular and enduring Television programmes.

The event starts with the delegates being invited to view a diverse collection of antiques.

Working in teams, delegates are given a chance to view the antiques. They can handle them (with care), discuss them, ask questions of our guest antiques expert and read about them in a specially produced antiques catalogue.

Having been given time to make notes the teams must then compete to work out the estimated value of each item, whether or not they think they are real or fake, rank them in value order and in some cases - identify where they are from and what their purpose is or was.



Whilst all of the antiques look real—several are fakes in as much as they are copies of original items.

Objects are drawn from all over the world and won't be at all obvious as to what they are. This gets teams guessing, chatting and in some cases cheating in attempts to find out the answers.

Several of the items are extremely valuable so teams also have to follow strict handling procedures and appoint 'special porters'.

This game is designed to be flexible and thus can last for anything between 30 mins and three hours.

This activity is also particularly good as an activity to accompany a lunch or dinner. It's amazing how putting on black tie turns us all into antiques experts!



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