**GAME DESCRIPTION**
The first game, *Build a Leader* (Build a Mentor, Build a Researcher) is designed to facilitate discussions about leadership qualities in a low-stakes way. *Build a Leader* is extendable to different topics including mentoring or research.

**CREATE YOUR GAME**
- Make the game board consisting of a die cut body and body parts
- Develop a list of leadership qualities for the game pieces
- Create trivia questions related to leadership
- Display trivia questions on PowerPoint, Emaze, or other presentation software
- Provide buzzers, bells, or other ways for players to ring in

**WHY GAMES**
- Address difficult topics or introduce new topics in a fun way
- Low stakes and less intimidating
- Active learning
- Bring more voices to the table
- Encourages mixing and mingling among stakeholders
- Create a more inclusive environment with question design
- Can flatten hierarchies and level the playing field

**CRITICAL LIBRARIANSHIP & GAMES**
You can create a more inclusive environment through question design. Games can help to impact the following areas:

**Organizational Culture**
- demystify organizational culture
- break down hidden barriers within the organization

**Perceived Barriers**
- open a dialogue with learners and allow their concerns to be heard
- potentially build allies

**Learning**
- questions can be inclusive of social justice issues
- learners are introduced to concepts encouraged to share their perspective

**HOW TO PLAY**
- Form teams of two
- Provide each team with a paper body game piece and body parts labeled with leadership qualities
- Begin trivia presentation
- The team who answers correctly adds a body part to their *Build a Leader*
- The first team to complete their leader wins a prize

**OUTCOMES**
Leadership can be a difficult topic to discuss. *Build a Leader* is designed to open up discussions about leadership in a social atmosphere that is encouraging instead of intimidating.

Librarians are often asked to participate in outreach or tabling events. *Operate Your Research Skills* is a fun and exciting way to engage with students as you do outreach.

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