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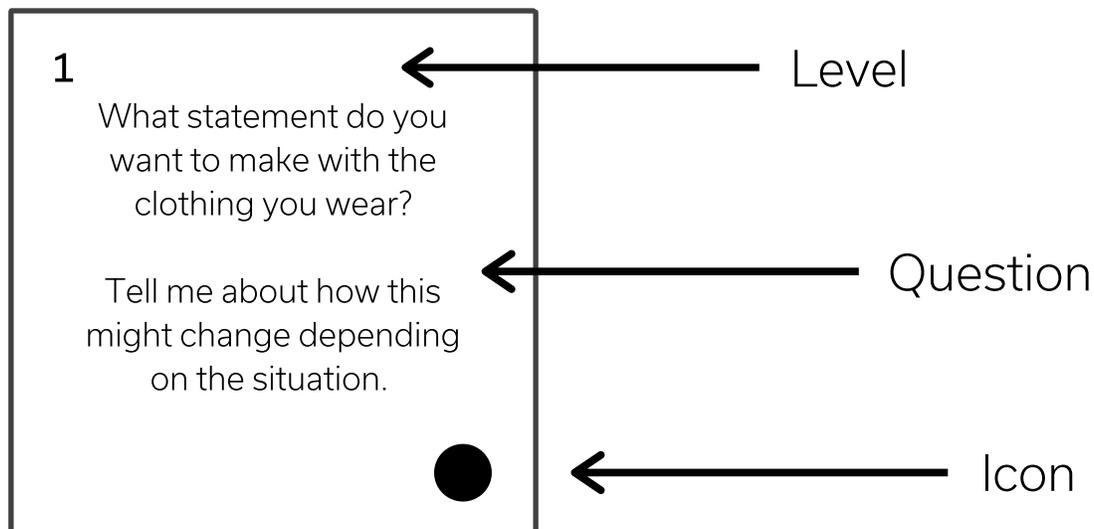
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WELCOME

This card game is designed to spark connection through conversation. We want you to connect with fellow players on a deeper level. The Fuse Card Game is meant to help you take down walls and find a safe space to talk about personal experiences. Questions will help you self-assess and reflect in order to discover your personal biases.

It may be tough at times, but that's okay. These conversations are hard, but we want to normalize them.

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SET UP

Before printing, decide which icon you would like to play with - circle or triangle. There is no significance to playing one shape or the other.

When you have decided, print off the sheet with the shape you want to play with, and cut the squares out along the lines making the game cards. Organize the cards into three piles separating them by the three levels.

HOW TO PLAY

Sit across from one another and put the cards for level one between both players. The player who most recently had a birthday will play as Player 1. Player 1, draw the first card from the top of the deck of level one, read the question aloud, and Player 2 will answer. When Player 2 finishes answering, Player 1 will then answer the same question.

Player 2 will pick up the next card and ask it aloud for Player 1 to answer first then Player 2 will respond. Continue doing this until all of level one questions have been answered. Then, set aside level one and continue playing the same way with level two and then level three until all nine questions have been read and answered.

If playing with more than two people, Player 1 will read the question on the card and everyone will take a turn answering the question. Continue clockwise with everyone drawing a card and asking the whole group the question.

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THE GOAL

This game has three goals: learn, listen, and acknowledge.

There are three levels to the game and each level has a goal attached to it. Let's dive into what those look like.

LEVEL 1: LEARN

In this level you will learn about the other player(s). It can also be called the "get-to-know-you" level. These questions are designed to help player(s) grow more comfortable with one another as they discover each other's personalities, interests, and more.

LEVEL 2: LISTEN

Now that you know the other player(s) better, it's time to dig deeper. We encourage you to share personal experiences when you have been affected by other people's biases. Most importantly, listen to the shared experiences of your fellow player(s). You may find that you have more in common than you think.

LEVEL 3: ACKNOWLEDGE

By the time you reach this level, you have begun to open up with the other player(s). Now, we want you to acknowledge biases in your own life. Answer these questions knowing that we all have biases, so you're not alone. It's important that we acknowledge them and learn how to move forward.

CIRCLE

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| <p>1</p> <p>What statement do you want to make with the clothing you wear?</p> <p>Tell me about how this might change depending on the situation.</p>  | <p>1</p> <p>Do you try to make a different impression now than you did when you were younger?</p> <p>How have you changed?</p>  | <p>1</p> <p>Do you like meeting new people or prefer to stick to the same crowd?</p> <p>Tell me about scenarios where you might feel more or less comfortable meeting new people.</p>  |
| <p>2</p> <p>Was there ever a situation when you felt someone made unfair assumptions about you based on your clothes? Explain.</p>  | <p>2</p> <p>Do you feel bound to your past or have you learned to let go of it?</p>  | <p>2</p> <p>Do your friends define you or do you maintain your individuality?</p> <p>Have you ever changed your style or mannerisms to fit in with a certain crowd?</p>  |
| <p>3</p> <p>When do you find yourself making assumptions about people based on their clothing?</p>  | <p>3</p> <p>Do you believe that people deserve a second chance? Why or why not?</p>  | <p>3</p> <p>Tell me about a time that you avoided a friend or a friend group because you were afraid they would make you look bad.</p> <p>Do you still feel this way about that friend or group?</p>  |

TRIANGLE

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| <p>1</p> <p>Do you stay up-to-date with politics and current events?</p> <p>Why or why not?</p>  | <p>1</p> <p>Tell me what self-care looks like for you.</p>  | <p>1</p> <p>How would you describe your presence on social media?</p> <p>Can that description be used for your in-person presence?</p>  |
| <p>2</p> <p>Have your political views changed from when you were younger? Explain.</p>  | <p>2</p> <p>Can you see a difference in yourself when you haven't been focusing on self-care?</p> <p>What is your breaking point?</p>  | <p>2</p> <p>What do people typically assume about you based on your social media?</p>  |
| <p>3</p> <p>What do you assume about someone based on their political views?</p>  | <p>3</p> <p>Have you ever seen anyone use self-care methods that you didn't believe were healthy?</p> <p>What about their method made you feel that way? Would you consider trying it?</p>  | <p>3</p> <p>Have you ever assumed something about someone based on their social media, but when you got to know them, they turned out to be different?</p>  |

DIAMOND

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| <p>1</p> <p>Where is your dream vacation destination?</p> <p>Tell me about the activities you would do there.</p>  | <p>1</p> <p>Explain the importance of education in your life.</p>  | <p>1</p> <p>What role did religion play in your childhood?</p>  |
| <p>2</p> <p>Have you ever traveled to a place where the culture is different than your own?</p> <p>If you have, what was that like? If you haven't, do you plan to? Explain.</p>  | <p>2</p> <p>What influences in your life lead to your decision to pursue or not pursue higher education?</p>  | <p>2</p> <p>What are things that people have assumed about you based on your religious status?</p>  |
| <p>3</p> <p>Is there a destination you would not visit based on geography, culture, history, or current events?</p>  | <p>3</p> <p>What do you assume about someone who went to a four year university? Community college? Someone who chose not to pursue a college degree?</p>  | <p>3</p> <p>Have you ever assumed something about someone based on their religion? Explain.</p>  |

SQUARE

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| <p>1</p> <p>What was your first job?</p> <p>Tell me about your responsibilities and your relationship with management.</p>  | <p>1</p> <p>How do you define the word "family?" Who fits this definition?</p>  | <p>1</p> <p>Did you grow up in a racially diverse town?</p> <p>What was it like?</p>  |
| <p>2</p> <p>When have you felt mistreated at work?</p> <p>Was it an issue with a manager, coworker, or customer?</p>  | <p>2</p> <p>What values or views do you hold that you attribute to your family?</p>  | <p>2</p> <p>Has anyone made assumptions about you based on your race?</p>  |
| <p>3</p> <p>When have you looked down on someone because of their job?</p> <p>Was this a stranger or someone you know well?</p>  | <p>3</p> <p>Do you hold any values or views that are different from your family?</p> <p>Describe a time when you discussed this difference with them. How did it go?</p>  | <p>3</p> <p>Have you ever made assumptions about someone based on their race? Explain.</p>  |