Student Pages - Answer Key - How Can You Gather the Most Information?

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Lesson 8.2: How can you gather the most information?

Directions
1. Your goal is to find the answers to the questions in the table below as quickly as possible. Some of the questions only have one correct answer and others have multiple correct answers. Your answers need to come from places in the city.
2. You need to get the answers from at least 10 different people in the room. Underneath the answer, you need to write the person’s name who gave it to you.
3. For your table, you cannot answer any of the questions yourself. For someone else, you cannot provide an answer unless you know the answer.
4. When your card is completely filled out, raise your hand and call out Bingo.

Results:

<table>
<thead>
<tr>
<th>EXAMPLE: Height of the Green Monster in Fenway</th>
<th>Name of the mayor of Boston</th>
<th>Name of a cheap and healthy restaurant</th>
<th>Location of a post office</th>
</tr>
</thead>
<tbody>
<tr>
<td>37 feet 2 inches Carlos</td>
<td>Thomas Menino</td>
<td>Will vary.</td>
<td>Will vary.</td>
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<tr>
<th>Subway station with both the red and orange line</th>
<th>Place to see theater or dance</th>
<th>Location of a public library</th>
<th>Name of a College or University</th>
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<th>Location of a park with walking trails</th>
<th>Place to buy fresh fruits and vegetables</th>
<th>Place to see a sports event</th>
<th>Location of a police station</th>
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<th>Location of a hospital or health center</th>
<th>Subway station with both the red and green line</th>
<th>Place to buy fresh fish or meat</th>
<th>Location of a park with basketball courts</th>
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<td></td>
<td>Park Street</td>
<td>Will vary.</td>
<td>Will vary.</td>
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Results: 

EXAMPLE: Height of the Green Monster in Fenway 37 feet 2 inches Carlos

Subway station with both the red and orange line Downtown Crossing

Location of a park with walking trails

Location of a hospital or health center
Conclusion
1. How would you define a social network?

You may want to discuss both the types of relationships and the strength of relationships. One potential definition is - A social network is the set of relationships someone has with other people. It is both the types of connections they have with other people and the strength of those connections.

2. What are some benefits of social networks? Think not only about what you observed in this game, but also how you personally benefit from the social networks in your life.

The game focuses on the transmission of information, but you may want to discuss all of the following key ideas:

- Individuals can help each other such as providing important information (e.g. where to buy healthy food) or volunteering their time (e.g. babysitting).
- Individuals can help protect each other such as noticing and reporting criminal activity around a neighbor’s home.
- Strong social networks can also help empower people to take action. For example, one person may not feel like they can renovate an abandoned lot, but a group of people may be willing to take action.

3. There have been some research studies that show that parks and green spaces encourage connections between neighbors and build social networks. Why do you think green spaces could promote social networks?

Students may bring up a variety of ideas such as –

- Parks provide an area where people can meet neighbors they did not previously know
- Parks allow people to see neighbors they do know allowing the strength of the relationship to increase
- Increasing interactions between people increases the possibility of some of the benefits of social networks occurring such as the transmission of information.
- Parks also provide a space where groups can gather to take action – such as putting together a plan to renovate an abandoned lot.