



# QUESTION BALL

4 VARIATIONS



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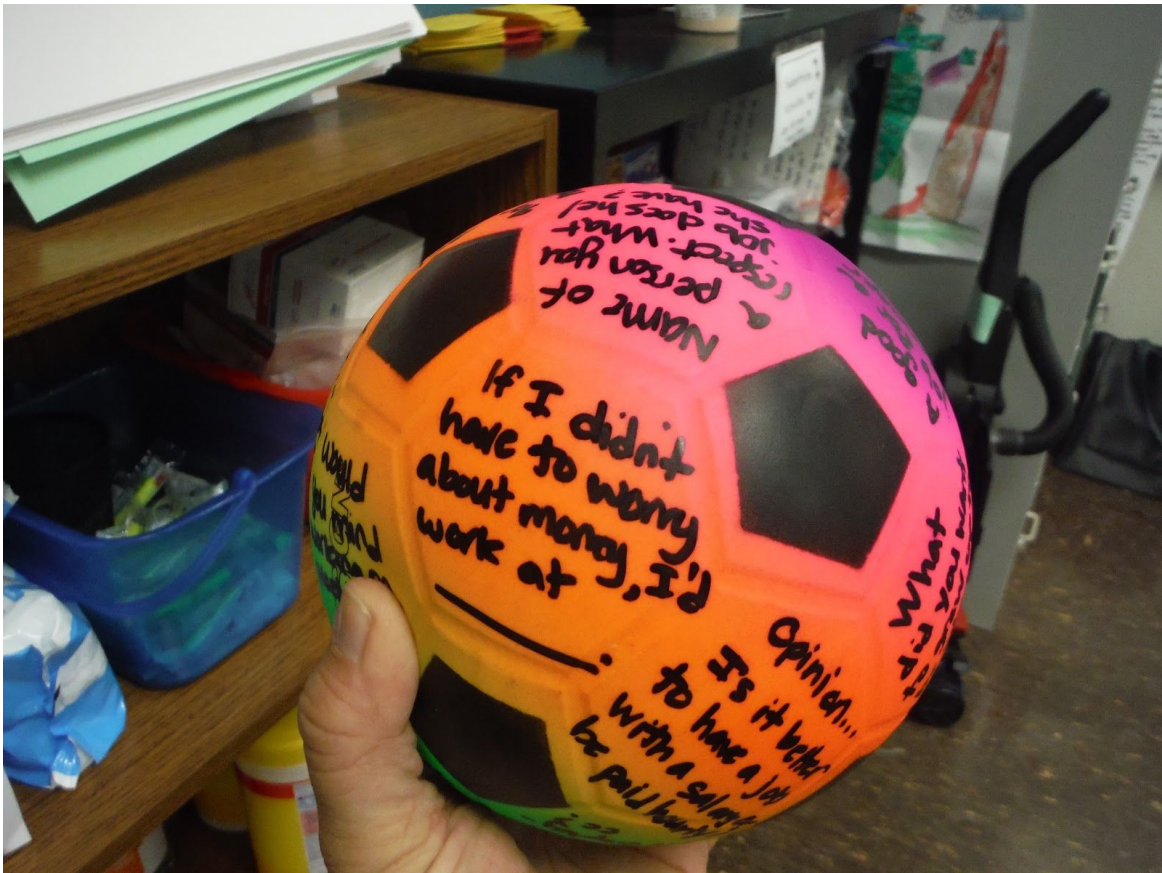
# E2E Question Balls

## Supplies

- Soft 7.5" foam soccer ball
- Sharpie
- Prepared questions

Our students have really been enjoying playing customized Question Ball games (there are [premade versions](#) available, as well, but they are expensive), and once we find a good thing, we ride that one-trick pony until it dies of cardiac arrest. It's very regulating for both our ladies (my group) and our fellas (Jenny's group) and keeps our conversation sessions on topic. All you have to do to play is prep your ball (you can use some of our prepared questions below, or create your own), circle up the kids (sitting or standing--either way works), and take turns tossing the ball around. The student must answer the question closest to their left (or right...whatever) thumb when they catch the ball. If the student's thumb lands on one of the black spaces, we've been using a deck of ["Would You Rather...?" cards](#) Jenny has to supplement our own, written questions. We could also probably be writing some other, related questions for each ball topic, but so far that hasn't happened. We're finding that the kids like the "Would You Rather?" cards so much that they are intentionally landing on the black spaces, so now we're cutting them off after three black spaces; after that, they answer the question nearest the black space.

Michael's Craft Store has some excellent balls to use to create themed Question balls right now (February 2017) for \$5 each. The soccer-themed ones are perfect for writing on with a Sharpie (good-sized spaces, smooth texture). If you can't find the exact balls we've been using, [these](#) or [these](#) are pretty much the same thing. As long as you use a softer ball, you should avoid too many major head traumas and their ensuing lawsuits.



Here are some themed Question Ball variations you can create for your classes:

### **Careers/Working Ball**

1. Would you want a job that required travel?
2. Agree or Disagree? Money makes up for a job you dislike.
3. A good job for a teenager is \_\_\_\_\_.
4. What did you want to be when you grew up when you were seven years old?
5. What is your fantasy job?
6. Agree or Disagree? A job needs to be personally fulfilling.
7. Do your parents like their jobs?
8. Would you mind working on weekends?
9. Agree or Disagree? I'd rather work my body than my mind.
10. Could you work a job on the graveyard shift?
11. Do you want to go to college?
12. The worst job in the world is \_\_\_\_\_.
13. Do you have the self-discipline to work from home?
14. I think most people retire at age \_\_\_\_\_.
15. A really stressful job is \_\_\_\_\_.
16. Opinion. Is it better to have a job with a salary or be paid hourly?
17. If I didn't have to worry about money, I'd work at \_\_\_\_\_.
18. Name of a person you respect. What job does he/she have?
19. Is it better to be the boss or the employee?

### **Executive Function Ball**

1. Explain a strategy you could use to get started on an undesired project.
2. Describe a strategy you can use to meet deadlines.
3. Describe something you can do to identify emotions before they overwhelm you.
4. How do you know how long a task will take (teacher will provide a scenario).
5. Describe a way you can follow multistep directions.
6. Tell us about something that helps you transition from one activity to another.
7. Share a strategy for deciding which assignments to do in which order.
8. Name one school supply you should always have with you for class.
9. Name one thing that gets in the way of you asking for help.
10. Describe a strategy you use to memorize facts.
11. Describe a way you can communicate a need for help from a teacher.
12. Describe what you should do prior to accepting an invitation/committing to do something.
13. Tell about a time you used a coping strategy to avoid losing emotional control.
14. Name a way you could study for a big test.
15. Describe one thing you can do to help your mornings run smoothly.
16. Describe some of the steps in planning a vacation.
17. Describe a way that you know someone is listening to you.
18. Describe a strategy you can use to help you focus on a task
19. Share a strategy for remembering what you need to buy at the store

## **Interpersonal Relationships Ball**

1. Agree or Disagree? It's better to be happy than to be right.
2. Describe a nonverbal way to tell someone you care about them.
3. Describe words you'd say to someone to tell them you care about them.
4. Describe a way you can be considerate of others.
5. Do you prefer to text or call your friends?
6. Do you prefer to text or call your parents?
7. Describe a way that you can rebuild trust with someone after a mistake.
8. Name a characteristic of an unhealthy friendship.
9. Name a characteristic of a healthy friendship.
10. At what age is it appropriate to begin 1:1 dating?
11. Name something that teenagers do with their friends.
12. Agree or Disagree. Social media friends are not real friends.
13. Which is better? Going out with friends or staying in with friends.
14. Name a typical parent/child conflict.
15. Name a way you could make new friends.
16. Agree or Disagree? Family dinners are important.
17. Share a good apology (teacher will give you a scenario).
18. Describe a way to graciously decline an invitation.
19. Do you FaceTime?

## **Adulting Ball**

1. If you find yourself running short on money, what is something you could give up to save funds?
2. Name one way you can get to work if you don't have a car.
3. Describe a strategy you can use to save money on your food budget.
4. If you can't afford to pay a bill, what is something you can do?
5. Name something you need to do to keep a car running properly.
6. Describe an ailment that warrants a visit to the doctor.
7. Describe an ailment that does NOT warrant a visit to the doctor.
8. Describe a strategy you could use to pay your bills on time.
9. Do you prefer living in an apartment or a house?
10. What's something you should do if you are too sick to go to work?
11. Name one thing a boss will expect you to do at work.
12. Do you want to have children someday?
13. Do you want to be married someday?
14. Name one reason why you need a savings account.
15. Name a health or hygiene practice that adults are expected to do/know.
16. Describe a strategy you can use to make sure you stay on top of medication refills.
17. Name one place to shop for inexpensive clothing.
18. Describe an inexpensive meal you can make at home.
19. Name a place you can go to get free wifi access.