

## CIRCLE TIME DISCUSSION & ACTIVITY STARTERS

1. My favorite kind of weather is...
2. My favorite game of pretend is...
3. In my garden, I would plant...
4. If I could get a new pet, I would like to get...
5. It makes me angry (sad, happy, excited...) when...
6. When we disagree with each other, I think we should...
7. Guess what's in the bag? Pass around a bag with a mystery object that students can feel on the outside of the bag, and then take a guess. Reveal what the object is after the last student has guessed. Even if a student correctly identifies the object, keep it passing around without giving away its identity.
8. My best day ever was when...
9. My worst day was when...
10. My favorite kind of party is when we get to...
11. If I could invite someone to visit our class, it would be...
12. Pass around the secret - make any one up, and see how it comes out the other end - always good for a giggle!
13. Silly, really silly! stories - start a silly story and ask all your preschoolers to add something silly to it.
14. My favorite dress-up costume is...
15. This is how I show emotions - go through sad faces, happy, friendly, pouting, silly, surprised, unbelieving, fearful, cute - and then make a poster of all your faces. If you have a camera, it's great to take pictures of all your "emotion faces" and make a bulletin board display with them.
16. If I had a large vine, like Jack and the Beanstalk, mine would go up to...
17. My favorite food (or restaurant, meal) is...

18. Play a what's missing game. Show students a tray with 5 - 10 objects on it and then take it away after a few minutes, asking them to name the objects. Show them a "trick" of making up a little story with the objects, helping them to remember. Then make a different object tray, ask them to make (and later share) a story to connect the objects, and then take away the tray and see if they can remember the objects any better.
  
19. What advice would you give... (let them decide who needs advice, and for what reason).
  
20. I am the same as (give a name of a student) \_\_\_\_\_ because we both \_\_\_\_\_, but I am also different, because \_\_\_\_\_.  
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