USER GUIDE.....

BLANKCANVASCONCEPTS

conversation cards

There are lots of ways you can use the conversation cards. You can use them with your friends at a dinner party or a picnic, with your family around the dinner table or with your children after school. You can use the image side of the cards or the question side. You can get everyone to answer the same question, or their individual question. You can hand out cards to people, or you can spread them out and let people choose. Like a blank canvas, the possibilities are endless... Here we have outlined a few different ways to use the cards, and listed some sample questions you can use with the image side to get you started.

FRIENDS & FAMILY

Use over the dinner table to start meaningful conversations

Using the image side of the cards:

Lay a pack of conversation cards out on the table, image side up (or provide each person a set of cards)

Ask friends/family to pick an image that represents:

- Their personality
- Something that happened today
- A feeling about... (Insert a topic)
- A thought about ... (insert a topic)
- A goal they are working towards
- A story they want to share
- Something they are grateful for

Or use the question side of the cards:

Hand out one card to each person.

Go around the group and ask everyone to answer the question on their card. You can invite everyone to answer the same question, or you can play a version where they only answer the question on their cards.

WITH CHILDREN

Use with your children to hear about their day... ask them to:

- Pick an image that represents their day
- Pick an image that represents the best thing that happened today
- Pick an image that represents something you are proud of
- Pick an image that represents something you would like to practice more
- Pick an image that represents how you feel about (insert just about anything)

You'll be amazed with the conversations that can emerge when using the images with your children.

Or use the question side of the cards

Share your own stories with your children using the questions as a story starter

Ask your children to answer the questions you choose from the pack and hear their stories

Conversation cards can be a great tool to enable children to get excited about telling and writing stories, making homework time fun.

GROUPS & COLLEAGUES

Use for group facilitation to enable creative and meaningful conversations

- Speed introductions (using questions)
- Introduction conversations in pairs/table groups/ entire groups (using images)
- Ice breakers and energisers
- Checking in and out of group process
- Understanding where a group is at in a process
- Idea generation
- Visioning
- Design thinking/Innovation process

If you would like more information on how to use conversation cards with groups and in a work setting, please send us an email and we'd be happy to share more information.