

Velocipede Challenge



Activity Summary:

One of the fondest childhood memories for many of us is probably the day we received our very first bicycle, wrapped with a big bow around the handlebars. Many of us still recall very fondly the many hours spent outside, cycling around with friends.

In this exciting team activity, participants work in teams to create a fully functional bicycle from scratch using kits given to them. While it is a lot of fun to do, the biggest “Aha!” moment of the activity is when the bicycles created are donated to children from the locality who would use it for their education – these are usually children for whom getting a bicycle makes the difference between staying at home or going to school.



Duration

90 – 120 minutes



Where this can be run

Indoor/Outdoor



Group size

10 – 40

Is this workshop right for my team?

- ▶ Vision alignment / Goal Orientation
- ▶ Working for a higher purpose
- ▶ Moving beyond functional silos
- ▶ Planning and Execution
- ▶ Effective communication



What you can expect:

- The team is gathered together at a central location to brief and set the context for the activity.
- The participants are briefed about the rules and objectives of the activity using the slide deck. Depending on the size of the group, teams are formed with 6-8 people in each team.
- Each team is given a kit with all the materials necessary to create a fully functional bicycle. Teams have a stipulated time to for putting together the bicycles.
- The team members plan and execute the tasks in an efficient manner. They can get expert advice from bicycle mechanics who are also invited to the activity since the bicycles to be built are going to be used by children. The teams can be asked to perform a few special challenges to earn the expert advice (in the form of mechanics)
- Towards the end, the bicycles are decorated by using a decoration kit provided to each of the teams in the activity
- After the assembly is over, the teams demonstrate the bicycles to showcase that they are functioning well. They run a short slow race within the venue of the activity to confirm the working condition and safety of the bicycles. The team which completes the race in the longest period wins
- Only after the test is over, we announce that the bicycles will be donated. Invite the children from the NGO and provide a brief introduction. The assembled bicycles are gifted to the kids with great fanfare.
- After this, all the bicycles are tested by the expert mechanics before they are handed over to the children.

Flowchart of the intervention



Sample mini challenges interspersed:



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