SCAMPER a tool for Creativity.



"Problems cannot be solved by thinking within the framework in which the problems were created."

-- Albert Einstein.

Goal



- Our goal is to come up with an original idea for an educational toy.
- Which Habit of Mind would be useful?

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- We are going to do this using a technique called SCAMPER.
- This is a set of specific questions asking us to think about our toy in special ways.
- What Habit of Mind does SCAMPER use to aid creativity?



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A playful attitude

- "To live a creative life, we must lose our fear of being wrong."
 Joseph Chilton Pierce
- Remember that many of the answers or solutions using SCAMPER will not make much sense or be nonsensical. However from this nonsense original and fantastic things may flow.

A Playful Attitude

• The Habit of Mind closest to being playful is...

A Playful Attitude



Finding Humour

• This habit shows us that we can use humour as a way out of being stuck.

The Process



The Goal: Creating or Innovating.







The Method: Questioning, posing problems.
Using SCAMPER.



The Mindset: Finding humour.

SCAMPER is an acronym for...

- Substitute
- Combine
- Adapt
- Modify
- o Put to other uses.
- Eliminate
- o Rearrange

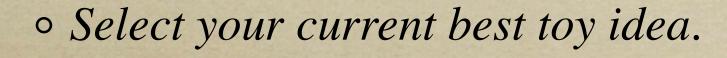
- For each of these words we ask a question.
- e.g. What can we **substitute** for something else in our toy?

The original monopoly had all the place names substituted with New Zealand place names to create an original new game.

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The original Lego brick was magnified to create the Duplo brick, an original new toy.

Your SCAMPER





• SCAMPER this idea on the worksheet.



- Creativity is enhanced by interaction so if you are working on your toy alone please team up with someone else and SCAMPER your ideas together.
- Remember to use the three Habits of Mind.

Evaluate your best idea

- Now we need to do an Evaluation for our best idea.
- Choose your best idea and PMI it on the PMI worksheet.