



## Paper Fortune Tellers to practice asking other people's opinions

This paper fortune teller is for two children, or a child and an adult, to practice asking other people about their point of view.

To make them:

- \* Cut out all four sides of the perimeter of the Fortune Teller.
- \* Fold them. This YouTube video shows how: <https://bit.ly/34QK6jX>. Start with the printed side down.

### About using these:

Unlike traditional paper fortune tellers, these are not used for pretend fortune telling. These are for facilitating basic conversational exchange in which conversation partners inquire about each other's beliefs and opinions.

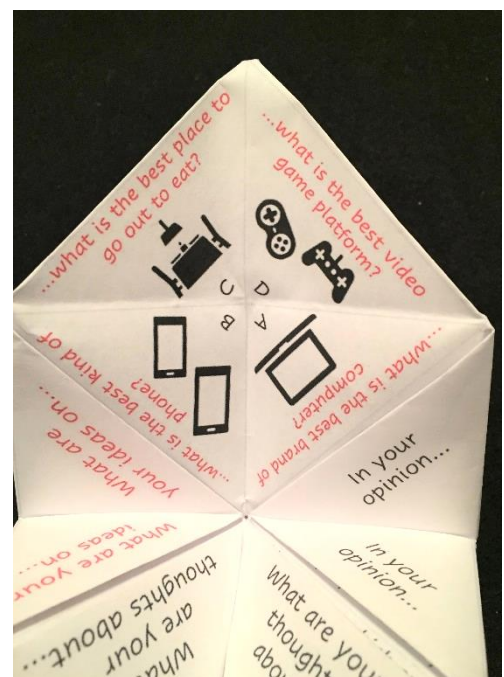
Suggested game format:

1. Person number one says, "Spell your name." For each letter, the person holding the Fortune Teller manipulates the device back and forth.
2. Person number two is then shown the two options appearing on the inner triangles. Person one says, "Pick which one you want." In the example to the right, the person picks, "in your view."
3. Person one opens up the innermost flaps, where four options appear. He selects C, "What is the best video game platform?" The adult then coaches the children in validating opinions during respectful discussion.
4. The players continue taking turns holding the paper fortune teller and asking the other person questions.

I hope you find these things useful. There are lots more of these paper fortune tellers on the website if you would like to try them.

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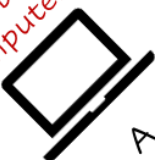
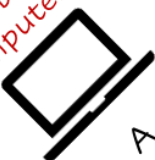
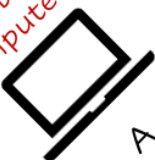
















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Cut out all four sides around the outside before you start folding.



Begin folding with the printed portion facing downward.

<p><i>In your opinion...</i></p> <p>©2021 Joel Shaul</p>	<p>What are your thoughts about...</p> <p>...sports - which ones are fun to watch?</p> <p>A  B  C  D </p>	<p>What are your thoughts about...</p> <p>...our president?</p> <p>A  B  C  D </p>	<p>What are your ideas on...</p>
<p>In your opinion...</p> <p>...should the voting age be reduced to 16?</p> <p>A  B  C  D </p>	<p>...video games - which ones are the most fun?</p> <p>...which ones many strict rules?</p> <p>A  B  C  D </p>	<p>In your opinion...</p> <p>...the food in the school cafeteria?</p> <p>...how old a kid should be to get a phone?</p> <p>A  B  C  D </p>	<p>What are your ideas on...</p> <p>...internet filters to keep kids off of some websites?</p> <p>A  B  C  D </p>
<p>In your opinion...</p> <p>...who is the best musician or group?</p> <p>A  B  C  D </p>	<p>...which makes a better pet, dog or a cat?</p> <p>...what is the best brand of computer?</p> <p>A  B  C  D </p>	<p>In your opinion...</p> <p>...when school days should start, early or late?</p> <p>...what is the best kind of phone?</p> <p>A  B  C  D </p>	<p>What are your ideas on...</p> <p>...whether infants should play with ipads/tablets?</p> <p>A  B  C  D </p>
<p>In your view...</p>	<p>In your view...</p> <p>...what is the best video game platform?</p> <p>A  B  C  D </p>	<p>In your view...</p> <p>...what is the best place to go out to eat?</p> <p>A  B  C  D </p>	<p>What are your thoughts about...</p>