

CLOSING THE GAME

- Brief Closing (5 minutes):
- Sit together in silence for 1-2 minutes
- Invite anyone who wishes to share one word describing their experience
- Thank everyone for their presence and honesty

EXTENDED CLOSING (10-15 MINUTES):

- Moment of silence
- Invite reflections: “What are you taking away from this conversation?”
- Each person shares one insight, commitment, or question they’re holding
- Close with silence or another familiar Quaker practice

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QUAKER SPICY Talk



SIMPLICITY



PEACE



INTEGRITY



COMMUNITY



EQUALITY



STEWARDSHIP

QUAKER SPICY TALK

A Game of Testimony Reflection and Sharing

WHAT YOU'LL NEED

- SPICES spinner (to select which testimony)
- 6 card decks, one for each testimony:
- Simplicity (1 explanation card + 6 reflection cards)
- Peace (1 explanation card + 6 reflection cards)
- Integrity (1 explanation card + 6 reflection cards)
- Community (1 explanation card + 6 reflection cards)
- Equality (1 explanation card + 6 reflection cards)
- Stewardship (1 explanation card + 6 reflection cards)
- Wild Card deck (9 cards) - optional
- 2-8 players
- A welcoming space and open hearts

GAME SETUP

1. Arrange the six testimony card decks face-down in separate piles, clearly labeled
2. Place each deck's explanation card on TOP of its reflection cards (face-down)
3. Place the Wild Card deck to the side (if using)
4. Position the spinner where everyone can reach it
5. Sit in a circle or around a table where everyone can see and hear each other
6. Settle into a moment of silence before beginning

HOW TO PLAY

BASIC TURN:

1. Spin the spinner to select a testimony
2. Draw a card from that testimony's deck
3. If this is the first card drawn from this deck:
Read the explanation card aloud to the group to introduce the testimony, then set it aside and draw a reflection card
4. Read the reflection prompt aloud to the group
5. Take a moment to reflect silently
6. Share your response (or pass - see below)
7. Return the card to the bottom of its deck
8. Play passes to the next person

The Right to Pass: *Anyone may pass on any prompt for any reason - no explanation needed. Simply say "I'll pass" and the turn moves to the next person. This honors that sometimes a question may feel too personal, come at the wrong time, or simply not resonate. Passing is always acceptable and respected.*

As Someone Shares:

- Listen with full attention and an open heart
- Avoid interrupting or offering advice unless asked
- You may offer a brief affirmation or "thank you for sharing"
- Resist the urge to compare or one-up experiences