Group Goals
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I. We seem to be drawn to others when we perceive them to be similar to us

II. Group attraction:

1. Attraction to group activities, goals of a particular group

2. Establish meaning, identity

3. Harsh initiations

   A. Mean greater loyalty and commitment

   B. Provides group with valuable information about newcomers

   C. Discourages weak commitment, prevents breech of cohesiveness

   D. Convince new-comers how dependent they are on old-timers

III. Mission Statements

   1. combined, unified expression from all members of what you’re about,

   2. principles you’ve chosen to govern your group.

   3. Based on idea of all things created twice:

   4. idea or mental creation,

   5. and physical creation.
VI. Explore what your group is all about.

1. What kind of group do we really want to be?
2. What embarrasses you about our group?
3. What makes you feel comfortable in our group?
4. What makes you want to be a member of this group?
5. What do you want the rest of the class to remember you by?
6. What are our highest priority goals?
7. What are the unique gifts, talents, and abilities of each member?
8. What are our responsibilities as members?
9. What are the principles and guidelines we want our groups to follow?
10. What other groups inspire us and why do we admire them?
11. How can we contribute to the class as a group?

VII. Write your group mission statement—overall for the entire semester.

1. Use it to stay on track
2. Always remember, “What do we want to have happen?”