



SPOTLIGHT ACTIVITY

Strong families recognize differences in individuals. Through this activity you can celebrate each person's uniqueness. The plan is to give each member of the family an opportunity to be in the spotlight, and also provide a chance to interview another family member to learn his/her talents, likes, dislikes, and accomplishments.

Time Needed: About 10 minutes to interview, 5 minutes to present

Activity Instructions:

Put the names of family members in a hat and ask someone to draw two names. The first will be the interviewer and the second the interviewee. Instruct the interviewer that he/she has until _____ (specify date and time) to accomplish the interview. Provide him/her with a few sample questions such as the ones provided below, or you can create your own.

- What is your favorite thing to eat?
- What subjects did you like to study in school?
- Do you have a favorite sport you like to play or watch?
- What would you like to be when you grow up?
- What is the best birthday present you ever received?

Rules:

1. Use polite audience etiquette.
2. Practice listening.
3. Do not be critical.

On the given date and time, whether it be at the dinner table with dessert or at a special family picnic, the interviewer presents a spotlight for a special family member. Continue the spotlight until everyone in the family has had a chance to be in the spot light, including mom and dad, and maybe even grandma and grandpa.

Other ideas include making the spotlight an anonymous surprise to see if other family members can guess who it is at the presentation, or making a collage representing the answers to questions to display on the refrigerator until next family member is spotlighted

Discussion Questions:

- Did you learn anything you did not already know?
- Who is going to be in the spotlight next?