Exercise One: The Lifeboat Game:

A passenger liner is wrecked at sea and these 15 people find themselves together in a lifeboat. The lifeboat however, can only support 9 people. If six are not eliminated everyone will die. If you were in command of the lifeboat, whom would you choose to survive?

You are required in groups of 2 to reach a joint decision as to which passengers will be eliminated.

1. A doctor, GP. He is addicted to drugs, and very nervous, aged 60
2. A black Minister, Protestant. Age 27
3. A prostitute, no parents. She is an excellent nurse. Has already saved a drowning child. Aged 36
4. A male criminal. Charged with murder. He is the only one capable of navigating the boat. Aged 37
5. A man mentally disturbed, who carries important government secrets in his head, aged 41
7. A disabled boy, paralyzed since birth. He cannot use his hands, or do anything for himself, so must be fed by others. Aged 8.
8. A married couple. He is a construction worker, who drinks a lot. Aged 27. She is a housewife with two children at home. Aged 23
10. A teacher considered one of the best in Essex! Aged 32.
12. An unemployed man, formerly a professor of literature. He has a great sense of humour, showed courage in the last war, and was in a concentration camp for three years, aged 53.

You are asked to write down you surviving passengers on the whiteboard. You will be expected to give reasons for your choices.

Exercise Two

Write a report about this exercise. What have you learnt by performing this task?

Exercise Three

For homework students are asked to construct an autobiographical account of their education from the age of 5.

Here are a few ideas to start you off...

- What were the most important stages of your education?
- The affect of teachers, peer groups (friends)
- Your relationship with the organization.