



RAINBOW THINKING CAP

Generate Ideas ~ Be *PROLIFIC!*

SUITABLE FOR
YEARS
5-10

NAME/S: _____

CLASS: _____

PROJECT: _____

Re-state the DRIVING QUESTION:

Here are seven tips to help you generate numerous ideas:

1. Explore **POSSIBILITIES**. Let your imagination go wild and generate plenty of ideas and possible solutions.
2. **POSE QUESTIONS**. Ask numerous ‘What if...?’ questions.
3. **PIGGYBACK** on a friend’s idea by developing it further (elaboration).
4. **PROPOSE ALTERNATIVES**. “Instead of doing it that way, maybe we could try it this way?”
5. **POOL**. Collect several ideas from different sources and combine them.
6. **PINCH** existing ideas (e.g. products) and suggest improvements.
7. **PAUSE**... Don’t judge the ideas yet!

Now generate a minimum of **seven** ideas and describe them:

“The best way to get good ideas is to get lots of ideas...”

LINUS PAULING
NOBEL CHEMISTRY PRIZE (1954)
NOBEL PEACE PRIZE (1962)

1. _____

2. _____

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6. _____

7. _____

My teacher has sighted my seven ideas.

Teacher

(You may now move onto the next stage)