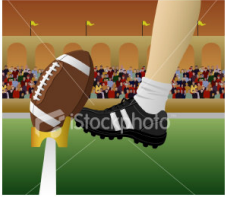


## **Ways to Kick-Off a Conversation**

**Directions:** I adapted this from an activity in Michelle Garcia-Winner's *Think Social!* book. They are tips on how to start a conversation with someone.



## Ways to "Kick-Off" a Conversation

### 1. Remembering Shared Events

- "Do you remember when...?"
- "Remember the time we...?"
- "I did that too! Did you...?"

### 2. Seasonal Topics

- Summer break, Spring break, Christmas break
- Other Holidays off of school (e.g. Martin Luther King, Jr. Day, President's Day, Memorial Day)
- "What did you do over...?"
- "Do you have any plans for...?"

### 3. News Events of Interest

- Common topics that are in the news that you might talk about (e.g. Upcoming Presidential Election, record temperatures)
- "Did you hear about...?"
- "What do you think about...?"

### 4. Enjoyable Experiences that you can share about YOUR life

- A good book you are reading/have read
- A movie you just saw
- A good website
- "Hey, I just saw this movie...", "Hey, I just read this book..."

### 5. Things we cannot remember fully about people we are with

- You have spoken to this person before, but cannot remember the specifics of their answers
- "What did you tell me you like to do after school?"
- "Where did you say you moved from?"
- "Who did you say you liked from the Bulls?"