

## Evaluation and Reflection

# The Fishbowl Method

1. Arrange students in a large circle.
2. Place a smaller circle of five to seven chairs in the center of the larger circle.
3. Have selected students sit in the inside circle. Keep one chair vacant.
4. Students in the inner circle discuss the outcomes of the project. The audience in the outer circle listens. The vacant chair is for any member of the audience who wants to join the discussion to add a comment or ask a question. Once the comment has been made or the question asked, the participant returns to the audience so that another member of the audience may join the inner circle.

**Note that the fishbowl method can also be used for project planning or other tasks that require a group discussion.**