**Each Idea is a Treasure**

Purpose:

This is an interactive community building exercise. Could be used as an opening exercise for a

conference or meeting. Good for groups of various sizes. Could work as part of an icebreaker

activity or as a brainstorming activity to get lots of ideas quickly.

Materials:

* 1 **“treasure card”** per participant Consider using index cards (light colored) or scrap booking paper or card stock (be sure any background design is subtle)
* Decorative box to use as a Treasure chest
* Dark colored markers or pens

Instructions:

* Leader gives out 1 **“treasure card”** and a pen or marker to each participant
* Leader reads out a prepared question to group relevant to the purpose of the conference or meeting
* Each participant writes his/her response to question on one side of the **“treasure card”** (names optional)
* Each participant returns completed **“treasure card”** to leader who puts it into the Treasure Chest
* Pass around the box filled with “**treasure cards**”. Each participant chooses a random to the leader after reading. Discuss responses.
* (optional) Compile **“treasure card”** responses andadd them to your newsletter or website