

Small group conversation

 **Up to 20**
 **60 min**

Purpose:

- Engage in a fun, informal, rich conversation with family, friends or colleagues
- Capture the insights, perspectives and ideas to share back with the Ministry

Supporting material

- Starter questions
- Speaker videos (available online)
- Form to record your ideas and return to the Ministry
- Device(s) to play online videos (not included in this pack)
- Flip chart/working paper + markers (not included in this pack)

Ground rules:

There are no right or wrong answers or ideas. The main thing is to support everyone to express their views.

- **RESPECT** the different experiences and views that are shared
- **ENCOURAGE** each person to engage while the others listen
- Be **CONSIDERATE** of the diversity in your group
- Have **FUN!**



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Running the conversation:

- Choose from among the following questions to start a conversation about the future of learning in New Zealand (NB some may be more useful for some audiences than others):
 - » What will learners need from their education in the future?
 - » What does health and well-being have to do with learning?
 - » Who is/was your most inspiring teacher and why?
 - » What will make a great teacher or educator in the future?
 - » What will Māori learners need in the future?
 - » What will disabled people need to support their learning in the future?
 - » How will you see your language, culture and identity sustained in the way you learn in the future?
 - » What do you want for future generations from lifelong learning?
- » What will the changing nature of work mean for the skills that people will need (for well-being and life, as well as for work)?
- » What do you want the next generation of Pacific learners to get from their learning?
- » Which skills that will be essential tomorrow are not being taught today?
- » Beyond skills, what behaviours and abilities are critical to develop early?
- » What do you want for future generations from learning in their early years (ages 0-5)?
- » What do you think people in the future will need to know and be able to do to lead happy and successful lives?
- » How do we foster connection to whānau, society and community?
- » What would a better world look like, and how can learning contribute to it?
- » What is the purpose of education for our future?
- Take 15 minutes to listen to each person's thoughts about the question

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- Choose a speaker video to watch from the Education Summit (these are available through the conversation.education.govt.nz website)
 - Resume the discussion, drawing on each person's reflections on the speaker's comments and the previous discussion
 - Record the ideas that come out of the conversation (you may wish to use the form attached)
- If you have time or want to continue the conversation, you can watch another video and resume your discussion.

One final question:

Before you finish, you might want to let us know two or three big ideas your group has for the future of learning in New Zealand. Add your response to the form provided.

Please send your completed forms to the Ministry of Education at conversation@education.govt.nz

**Small group conversation****Date****Location****What insights emerged from your conversation?****Organiser's
Full Name + Email****No.
participants**