

## Description

This is a Guide (Tool box) of the training course "Escape for human rights: «Few m2 of different reality»" witch have ben organized by LOGOS NGO (Poland) and Euro-NET Association (Italy) in Potenza (Italy) from 12.12.2017 to 20.12.2017

The project aims to raise awareness about Human rights in spheres of gender discrimination, children rights and domestic violence through making Human rights escape room, as well as understanding how to use escape rooms as a learning tool in order to create similar projects on Human rights back at local communities

This Guide will help you to organize your own escape room with Human rights topics and not only. The most relevant information is saved in Google drive, so please click on and you will find much more.

If you have any question or ideas for future cooperation feel fee to contact us <u>Poland@ngologos.org</u> and <u>euro-net@memex.it</u>









Escape rooms are **live-action**, **team-based** games where **players** discover **clues**, solve **puzzles**, and accomplish **tasks** in one or more **rooms** in order to **accomplish** a specific **goal** (usually escaping from the room) in a **limited** amount of **time**.

ER is good for all ages

Good for gender balance Unlike some forms of gaming, escape rooms draw in players of both genders relatively equally. About 70% of the groups that play through rooms are of mixed genders, and the remaining groups are equally split between all male and all female







# Hints and Rules

### Hints

Balance between easy and difficult No direct hints. Hint is **not** answer When to give: when asked or when stuck Make people feel smart, not stupid when hinting

#### **Rules**

How to play No hard power Non-touchable things One thing plays once How hints are given and communication is made







# Narrative levels

Collection of **puzzles without a theme** or narrative

**ER with theme**, decorations, matching with it **but no story** 

ER has a narrative, players in the role, puzzles do not move the narrative

ER with narrative and puzzles are part of

storytelling euro-net





### **Creating story**

- 1. Introduction
- 2. Problem
- 3. Resolution
- 4. Ending

Hero, setting, basic info What happened, what stops the hero Process of finding solution(s) What happened after resolution, heroes final decisions

### Bad ER storylines go like this:

"You've entered the Ancient Lair of the Dark Dungeon. You have 60 minutes to escape, as tracked by this digital clock on the wall. To escape, you will have to solve the Scary Sudoku, discover 4 different sets of 4 digit numbers for the 4 padlocks you see in front of you, and then determine the code for the numeric keypad on the wall. If you need help, use this walkie talkie and someone will come into the room to give you a hint. Have

fun."







## **Puzzles** logics

# Search Q

# Think .

# Apply







# About puzzles

- •Balance between easy/hard
- •No specific knowledge: formulas, laws
- •Different type
- •No language usage or simple and understandable for everyone
- Only one solution for puzzle
- Easier with multiple-puzzled tasks
- Proper timing (1 hour 12-17 puzzles)
- One thing plays once







# Puzzle types

**Hidden Objects** Light Counting Noticing Something "Obvious" In The Room Using Something In An Unusual Way Searching For Objects In Images Assembly Of A Physical Object (3d) **Algebra And Other Mathematics** Riddles Sound

**Ropes Or Chains Traditional Puzzles** Touch Liquids **Engagement With Actors** Smell Taste Lazers **Mirrors Research Using Information** Sources







## Environment

Everything connected to the story Minimal unnecessary details No unplaying riddles Details for puzzles must appear in proper order Mark non-playing objects Connect non-obvious puzzles in different places Check everything to be idiot-proof Tasty details Check for needed information to be visible Check if non-needed information is removed







### Dry run

### To check difficulty of puzzles To make changes To notice unobvious mistakes To have a different view









1. Additional information about escape room s creating

https://drive.google.com/drive/folders/1n9JP-qSYcq3MhL6GsErmxoMo0dMDip0?usp=sharing

2. Tree prepared escape rooms scenarios <u>https://drive.google.com/open?id=15spFObODpf7xuP8cxNuXRGlz4P\_jXlxz</u>

3. NGO LOGOS fun page, here soon will be published more scenarios and projects announcement of Escape rooms for human rights.

https://www.facebook.com/logosngo/

4. Fun page of Euro-net Association with projects https://www.facebook.com/euro.net.31/







## TOOL BOX

Planning could be considered the most crucial part of designing a successful escape room. The planning started with delegation of tasks after having a discussion with all the team. The team divided in three groups including research, design of quizzes & puzzles and video making. Some obstacles that arised during the process, was lack of communication and organization, although this did not stand in our way. By creating a plan it helped us to work more fast and efficient as everyone knew what to do.



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