

# Environmental Justice Workshop

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## 1. What is Environmental Justice? [5min]

- Brainstorm
- Break down terms

## 2. Organize a local rally [35 min]

- Activity Overview:
  - Teams are given case studies of environmental injustice
  - Participants choose a character of someone who lives in the area and is affected
  - Teams prepare speeches for a 7-min rally
- Split into groups
- Read material (see attached EJ situations, or find your own situation of environmental injustice)
- Choose roles for rally
- Write and practice speeches, order for rally, choose MC, etc. (chants?)
- Come back together and perform a 7min rally
  - TEAMS RECEIVE POINTS FOR SHOWING:
    - Race/class/gender issues
    - Moving stories
    - Stats
    - Alternatives
    - Showing people power
- Give feedback

## 3. National Coalition Report to Congress [15min]

- Read national report
- Groups from previous activity conference to put together report
- Make report to congress
- Give feedback

## 4. Commonalities/Lessons [3min]

- What did groups have in common?
- Revisit definition, what should we add to initial definition?

## 5. How does it relate to our work?

## 6. Evaluation – What worked, what did we learn, what could be better?

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