10 Reasons to Play BreakOutEDU

1. It's fun for everyone!
2. It is adaptable to any subject area
3. It promotes collaboration and team-building
4. It develops problem-solving and critical thinking skills
5. It enhances communication skills
6. It challenges players to persevere
7. It builds inference skills
8. Students learn to work under pressure
9. It's student-centered
10. It's inquiry-based learning at its best

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Today we hope You Will...

Find out what Breakout EDU is all about
Participate in a Breakout
Find out how to purchase a kit or several kits
Find out about resources available for breakout edu
Go back to your schools as excited about breakout as we are!!!
What is Breakout EDU?

“Breakout EDU games teach critical thinking, teamwork, complex problem solving, and can be used in all content areas.” —From the BreakoutEDU website

Students solve a series of clues to break into a box.

Think reverse Escape Room
A Few Notes...

- Most of the Breakouts are designed to be completed in 45 Minutes
- Groups of 4-5 students are best
- We try to make sure our students are successful during their first Breakout (adjust time, offer additional hints, etc.)
- Students may need additional instructions on how to use locks if it is their first breakout
5 Tips for Success

1. You are working together as one team
2. The better you communicate and collaborate the more successful you will be
3. If you solve a puzzle, make sure the rest of your team knows
4. Come together intermittently to review what you know
5. Decide as a team when to use your hint cards
Student Debrief Questions

A. What puzzles did you find the most difficult?
B. How well did your group work together?
C. How do you think your group could have been more effective?
D. What would you do differently next time?
Exit Slip:

To BREAKOUT of this Professional Development Session, provide one 4 or 5 letter word that describes your Breakout EDU experience today:

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And, explain why...
So you want a kit...

Option 1—Buy a kit from BreakoutEDU $125
So you want a kit... Option 2 Open Source

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Link to Amazon List with suggestions

And plenty of optional items...
Resources

**BreakoutEDU website**
- Sign up to be a beta tester
- Obtain password for games
- Search for games

**Facebook group**
- Connect with other users
- Get great ideas
- Ask questions and get input

**Google Sheet of resources**
Additional Resources Mentioned

Exit Slips

Locks app

Digital Breakouts

Ancient China Breakout