

Neighbourhood Noise Courtesy Checklist Task

Task – Get students into groups and ask them to think about planning a house party. What could they do for their neighbours to try not to disturb them with the noise? Discuss with students why it is important for communities to be respectful of each other like this.

Each group needs a large sheet of paper to record & illustrate their answers.

Things to do:

- Make one person responsible for dealing with all noise issues. Consider who are you likely to disturb?
- Let neighbours know about your event and tell them what to expect.
- Be considerate about how loudly music is played, particularly late at night.
- Keep windows and doors closed.
- Bass level noise is the most intrusive: lowering the volume of the bass will help to reduce how far it carries.
- Some neighbours could be working or sleeping. Try to encourage guests leaving late to leave as quietly as possible.
- How many people are you expecting?
- Be reasonable and try to negotiate through any problems.
- Gate-crashers can spoil an event and cause rowdiness, so try to control tickets and the entrance to your event.
- Consider the timing of your event.