

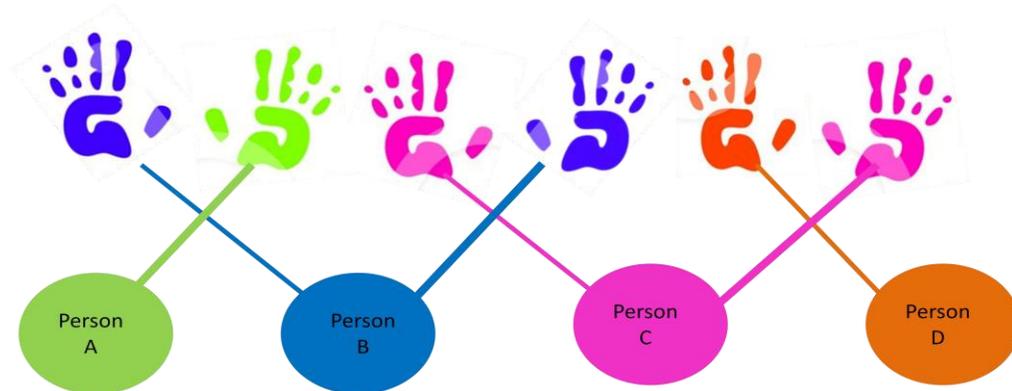
# Connections Activity

<b>Title/Skill:</b>	Slaps
<b>Connection Goal:</b>	Personalization
<b>Grade Level:</b>	9-12
<b>Time Needed:</b>	20 minutes

**Handouts/Materials Provided:**  
None needed

## **Summary of Activity for the Advisor:**

- Students sit in a circle, either at a table or on the floor. Both hands are placed flat on the table. Have each student lift their right arm and place it over the left arm of the person next to them with their hand flat on the table. There should now be two hands between both of theirs (the right hand of the person to their left and the left hand of the person to their right. See diagram below)



- Students must slap their hands in order around the circle. Let the students go around the circle once or twice to practice. Once students get the hang of it the challenge is on! If someone slaps their hand out of order, that hand is eliminated and must be put behind their back. Hands stay where they are and must still be slapped in the order they appear on the table/floor.
- Once both hands are eliminated that person is out. They can remove themselves from the circle or can stay in their seat to add a challenge (the further apart hands get, the harder it can be to follow the correct order).
- If students get really good at following the order, a new element can be introduced. If someone slaps twice in a row, the circle must now change directions and begin slapping in the other direction.
- The game is over when there are only two hands left.

\*Alternative way to play- the group must slap around the circle as fast as they can. If someone slaps out of order the group must start over. Time them. When they are done, see if they can do it faster.

**Read/Review/Discuss/Do with students:**

What was easy/hard?

What would have made it easier?