



## Connecting: Have you ever...

This can be done very simply, by nominating a given topic and asking people to tell their stories about the topics in small groups of 3 or 4.

Or you can add some colour and creativity.

Work in a team to lead this.

One person announces:

**A:** I bet that we have lots of interesting stories here today!  
I reckon some fascinating things have happened to us.

*Enter 2 additional people:*

**B:** Did I hear 'Stories'?

**C:** I love stories!

**A:** Yes, we are about to tell some stories. Maybe you can help us.

**B:** Can we show you a story?

**A:** Ok, that sounds good.

*(B mimes whistling casually waiting, while C mimes strutting like a red carpet celebrity. Suddenly B notices, and begins pointing, showing excitement, waving, pointing, fainting as C walks past)*

**A:** hmmm – I think I know what happened in your story – I think one day you saw someone really really famous.

*B & C high 5 each other.*

**B:** That's right.

**A:** Great! Well now we all get to tell our stories of seeing someone famous. In small groups with the people that are sitting close to you, tell each other if you have ever seen someone famous.

*(Give a couple of minutes for this)*

**A:** I overheard some amazing stories there! Have you got another story for us?

**B&C:** yep in fact we've got 3, and we are going to do them all at once.

**A:** Ok we'll do our best to guess.

### Have you ever...

Seen a famous celebrity?

Borrowed someone else's bike  
to ride?

Ridden a donkey?

Had a whole bunch of people  
cheer just for you?



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**B&C:** Miming borrowing a bike, riding a donkey, and running as someone is cheering.

**A:** Wow - that's 3 pretty exciting stories, let me see if I got them right: you borrowed someone else's bike to ride (did you all guess that girls and boys?) Then – you went riding on a donkey. And you were running and you were cheering.

**B:** 3 out of 3

**A:** Ok that's our 3 stories. Have any of those things ever happened to you? Have you ever had to borrow someone else's bike, have you ever ridden a donkey, or have you ever had someone cheer for you?

**C:** Tell about one of those things to the group of people you are sitting close to.

**A:** We are about to read a part of the Bible where all 4 of those things happen in the same story. Listen carefully and see if you can hear each of the stories.

**Seeing someone famous**



**Borrowed someone else's bike to ride**



**Riding a donkey**



**Having a whole bunch of people cheer just for you**

