

RACE!© (Resident Advisor Card Exercise)

Frequently Asked Questions (FAQ)

How would we use RACE! for a behind-closed-doors like training?

I would set up ten different rooms and give each group (actors are often older RAs or RDs) five random cards from the deck. I would then have the training RA come into the room and respond to the scenario. I would then have the actors meet and score the RAs response (0,1,2) and discuss the scores with each RA individually.

Why include computer slides if we have the physical cards?

The slides are here to provide Housing and Residential Life training programs access to the various scenarios that could be used in a group setting during an in-service staff meeting. I would recommend choosing several of the cards from the slide show and have the group discuss how they would respond to the given situation. The slides also include the scoring systems as well as a slide discussing key points for each scenario. I would recommend opening the existing file (RACE), deleting the slides you won't be using and then save the new file on your desktop with a new name like "training". This will let you tailor the slides you want to discuss for your event without disturbing the existing file.

Why do you have the point (0,1,2) scoring system?

This system is used frequently in psychology when trying to attach a number to a qualitative narrative response. The quantitative scores could be used as part of the training process or as a hiring tool for new RAs (for example, have new RAs respond to 10 training cards selected at random and require a score of 15 or better out of 20). It is up to you how to use them.

I'd like to include RACE! in a research product or make additional copies. Can I?

I'd be happy to talk to you about this. I'm excited to have RACE! used to help trainings programs become more interactive and enjoyable for all involved. Please email me at brian@vanbrunts.com or visit my website www.brianvanbrunt.com