Reflection Questions for Experiential Learning Activities

**Share**

* What did you do?
* What did your group do when . . . ?
* What did you see? Feel? Hear? Taste?
* What did you do? Where did you go? What was your goal for this activity when you began?
* Tell me about your most/least favorite things about working on your this activity.
* What did you learn while doing this activity? How did you feel?
* What was easiest? What surprised you?
* What did you learn about yourself?

**Process**

* What did you learn about (life skill or activity subject matter) through this activity?
* Why is the life skill you practiced important?
* What did you learn about yourself by doing this activity? How did others help you?
* How did you make your decisions? What steps did you take?
* What made this a good activity?
* What were some of the common themes or thoughts you had?
* What problems came up over and over? How did you handle them?
* What would you do if \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_?
* What was the most challenging part of your activity? Why? How did you solve it?
* What did you learn from this activity that you didn’t know before?
* What suggestions would you have for someone else who wanted to do a similar activity?
* Why does it matter (to you or anyone else) that you did this activity?
* What new questions do you have about yourself and others?

**Generalize**

* What key points have you learned?
* Have you had similar experiences related to this project/activity?
* Where have you faced similar challenges in your life?
* Where might this situation occur in the future?
* Discuss another time when you had fun and learned new things at the same time.
* Why is it important to have plenty of information before making decisions?
* What did you learn about your own skill in communicating with others?
* What advice would you give to someone who wants to do this activity?

**Apply**

* How does what you learned relate to other parts of your life?
* How can you use what you learned?
* How can you apply (the life skill you practiced) in the future?
* Why was this project/activity important to you?
* Are there any things you learned that you can use in real-life situations?
* How can you use these skills in different situations?
* How will you act differently as a result of this activity?

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