Solving Problems – Exploring Solutions

Some problems can be solved in a variety of different ways. In these instances, it's important to put some thought into which solution is best. Some solutions may resolve your problem quickly but require more effort or money. Others might take a lot longer but be far less stressful.

Task: Get into small groups and choose one of the problems from the list below and see if you can identify more than one solution to it. Then come to an agreement on which solution would be preferable and why.

A friend forgot to complete their homework. They ask to copy yours before submitting it. What could you do?

You would like to go to a concert at the weekend with your friends but you don't have enough money. What could you do?

You've just missed the bus for work. You can get the next one but you will definitely be 10 minutes late. What could you do?

A group of friends are smoking cigarettes. They are actively encouraging you to join them but you don't smoke and don't really want to try it. What could you do?

You are throwing a ball around with friends in your back garden. One of your friends accidentally sends it over the fence and into your neighbour's garden. You hear a smash. What could you do?

