



A Problem-Solving Worksheet

Often a problem seems difficult to solve because you limit your options for solutions. This exercise asks you to come up with more solutions than you may have thought possible.

First, identify the problem (Be specific.):

Now the solutions. Use all the blanks. Write down any solution you think of, even if it's not practical. Remember, a "crazy" idea can trigger the most innovative solutions.

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This is a good time to take a break. Set this aside for a day or two. Let these solutions roll around in your mind. When you pick up this list again, choose those that seem like the three best solutions. Write down why you chose them:

Solution:	Why?
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Look over your solution lists again. Take another break if you can. Then pick your favorite solution and write about it in more detail:

Solution: