

# TRAFFIC JAM

## Group Task:

Ask each person in the group to stand on a wooden block (in any order). Leave the middle block empty. If there are 8 people in the group, you will need nine blocks. If there are 10 people, you will need 11 blocks. The people on the left form one team (A, B, C, D). The people on the right form another team (W, X, Y, Z).

**Aim: Team-mates A, B, C and D must switch places with teammates W, X, Y, Z according to the rules below.**

Set-up:

A	B	C	D		W	X	Y	Z
1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9

Letters = People

Numbers = Squares, with Square 5 left "empty"

Desired Result:

W	X	Y	Z		A	B	C	D
1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9

## Rules:

1. One person at a time moves forward one square.
  2. Only move forward into an empty square in front of you or around someone going in the opposite direction to an empty square behind that person.
  3. The group must start again when:
    - Anyone moves around someone going in the same direction.
    - You can no longer move forward legally and have not completed exchanging places.
    - Anyone on your team moves backwards.
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