

GENERAL INSTRUCTIONS

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Many groups periodically hold a 'Group Inventory meeting' to evaluate how well they are fulfilling their primary purpose: to help alcoholics recover through A.A.'s suggested Twelve Steps of recovery. Some groups take inventory by examining our Twelve Traditions of Unity, one at a time, to determine how well they are living up to these principles.

In conjunction with the following Inventory questions for the Group, please read The Traditions Checklist from the AA Grapevine. There is a fine line between an individual's responsibility and a 'Group's' responsibility. This checklist helps the AA member inventory one's own attitude and actions, as well as those of the collective 'Group'; to better see that fine line, and look for viable solutions.

The following questions, compiled from A.A. shared experience, may be useful in arriving at an informed group conscience. Groups will probably wish to add questions of their own. Your input is important ! Please complete the questionnaire and bring it with you. If unable to attend the Inventory Meeting, send completed form with the GSR or another Group servant. **do not sign it.**

Group Inventory Meeting is scheduled for:

DATE:

TIME:

PLACE:

- 1. What is the basic purpose of the group?**
(refer to Tradition III, V, VI, and XI)

- 2. What more can the group do to carry the message?**
(refer to Tradition IV, V, VIII, and XII)

- 3. Is the group attracting alcoholics from different backgrounds? Are we seeing a good cross section of our community?**
(refer to Tradition I, III, and XII)

- 4. Do new members stick with us, or does the turnover seem excessive? If so, why? What can we as a group do?**
(refer to Tradition I, III, IV, and V)

- 5. Do we emphasize the importance of sponsorship? How effectively? How can we do better?**
(refer to Tradition II and XII)

- 6. Are we careful to preserve the anonymity of our group members and other AAs outside the meeting rooms? Do we also leave the confidences they share at meetings behind?**
(refer to Tradition I and XII)

- 7. Do we take time to explain to all members the value to the group of keeping up with the kitchen/housekeeping chores and other essential services that are part-and-parcel of our Twelfth-Step efforts?**
(refer to Tradition I, VII, and XII)
- 8. Are all members given the opportunity to speak at meetings and to participate in other group activities?** (refer to Tradition I, II, III, IV, V, and XII)
- 9. Mindful that holding office is a great responsibility not to be viewed as the outcome of a popularity contest, are we choosing our officers with care?**
(refer to Tradition I, II, and XI)
- 10. Are we doing all we can to provide an attractive meeting place?**
(refer to Tradition I, VI, VII, and XI)
- 11. Does the group do its fair share toward participating in the purpose of A.A. - as it relates to our Three Legacies of Recovery, Unity, and Service?**
(refer to Tradition I, III, IV, V, IX, and XII)
- 12. What has the group done lately to bring the A.A. message to the attention of professionals in the community-the physicians, clergy, court officials, educators, and others who are often the first to see alcoholics in need of help?** (refer to Step XII and Tradition V, VI, and X)
- 13 . How is the group fulfilling its responsibility to the Seventh Tradition?**
(refer to Tradition I, VI, and VII)