Alligator River

A trip has been arranged through the cultural exchange program between your schools and Brazil. Brazilian students are to experience life in a major city while we are to experience jungle life in the Amazon Basis. We are looking for ancient Incan artifacts as our main goal. Unfortunately, not being accustomed to that area and their customs, we happened to cross an ancient sacred burial ground of a little-known and very violent pigmy tribe of cannibals who are in the process of collecting their people and weapons (an array of spears, bows, and poison dart guns). We have about a 20-minute lead on them but unfortunately we have come upon a river that is filled with alligators, piranhas, and stinging eels that have blocked our escape. Luckily, we have special floating pads that have antialligator pellets in them to help us cross the river.

Rules:

- 1. One pad for every two people.
- 2. Everyone must be on the river before anyone gets off.

Discussion Questions:

- 1. How did the group discussion of solutions work?
- 2. How did any leadership develop? Who? Did it change?
- 3. Were there any discounting behaviors and how did they effect the group? Individuals?
- 4. What was discovered about group support?
- 5. What skills were developed and how do they transfer to life?