

# PITCHING WORKSHOP – FLOG IT

**PURPOSE:** To help students think about the USP (Unique Selling Point) of products and to improve confidence and communication skills of teams

### THE GOAL

To pitch an existing product as if you have designed it and want to sell it.

### **HOW**

Students can do this activity in teams having watched the Design Ventura briefing film (on the website)

Timing: 30 mins

# **YOU NEED**

- Handling collection of products from the Design Museum shop and/or everyday items such as playing cards, clothes pegs, keyrings, jigsaw puzzles, postcards...
- Pitching template (available on the website)

#### THE ACTIVITY

- 1. Each team is allocated one product
- 2. Give them 5-10 minutes to develop a presentation that explains and 'sells' the product to the rest of the class. The pitch should ideally last 1 minute and should involve every team member.
- 3. Provide time for each team to pitch, and encourage the class to ask questions and reflect on the strengths and weaknesses of each product and of each team's presentation.

# **POSSIBLE OUTCOMES/ NEXT STEPS**

- Remind teams that they will need to pitch their own idea at the end of the project, in 3 minutes or less.
- Encourage teams to think about ways to improve the products they have presented as a way of designing new items in response to the Design Ventura brief.

