



## A-Z Fundraising Ideas

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“You make a living by what you get. You make a life by what you give.”

Winston Churchill (1874 - 1965)



**Auction** – live or on eBay - get rid of all those things clogging up your cupboards

**Antiques Fair** – root through your attic and take it along; any money goes to charity...

**Aerobics** - especially fun with retro clothes!  
Create a class or just a one-off.

**Abseil** a local landmark!

## **Arts and Crafts Day**

Have an **art exhibition** in the office - do it seriously, ask your children to paint something, or get the boss to do some silly painting.

Notes/Ideas



**Book Coffee Morning.** Charge a small entrance fee for coffee and biscuits at your place, or place of work and sell the quality used books your guests bring for a good read and a great cause.

**BBQ** – invite friends and ask for a fiver (cover food and the rest for charity)

**Bike Race**

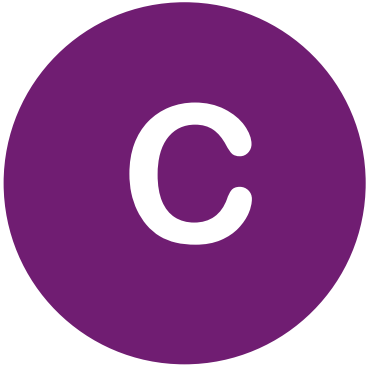
**Barn Dance**

**Bring & Buy Sale**

**Bad hair/tie day** – like dress down day only much funnier!

**Bungee jump** – what a good excuse to challenge yourselves

Notes/Ideas



**Cheese & Wine Party.** With just 20 people paying £5 a head, even taking off the cost of the food and drinks you can raise £60 for charity and every £60 helps!

**Car Boot Sale** – we're not advocating the sale of children though

**Carol Singing** – get all festive and enjoy!

**Christmas Cards** – buy some charity ones....FSI may have some.....

**Computer Games Knockout**

Do something you enjoy boys: competition and computer games....!

**Cake sale** – pep up that Friday feeling with some cakes

**Come Dine With Me**

**Competitions** -  
inter-office/department tournaments  
- could get messy!

**Cabaret Show** – got some budding singers, actors or comedians in your office? Make a show of them!

**Car wash** – could be themed

Notes/Ideas



**Down Under.** Friends and neighbours would love an Aussie-themed party. So stock up on the beer and fire up the Barbie!

**Disco** – organise one at work or home, don't forget the glitter ball!

**Dress Down Day** – wear your comfy jeans to work

**DVD swap shop** – everyone bring some in, borrow for a pound or two.

**Donkey Derby** – drum up some healthy rivalry between you and your local office

**Dog walking** – have you got busy friends? Keep fit and have some company

**Dance Marathon** - add some different types of dancing in – African, salsa, ballroom...

Notes/Ideas



**Empty Out Your Attic.** Turn your clutter into money at a car book sale or bring and buy.

**Easter-Egg Hunt** – fantastic idea when here's chocolate at the end!

**Egg-and-Spoon Race** or other such childhood races

**Eurovision Song Contest** – Pick a country to represent and get your own Terry Wogan to host!

**Eating competition** – how many doughnuts/hotdogs can you eat in 3 minutes?

**Eighties night/day** – don't even try and pretend there aren't some hideous clothes hiding at the back of your wardrobe!

Notes/Ideas



**Film Fans** will discover that hosting a movie night with themed food and guests just adds to the magic...from cous cous and forties glamour for Casablanca, to a Greek-style knees-up for Shirley Valentine.

**Face Painting** – kids and adults love it, it's colourful and fun.

**Fashion Show** – any budding designers? Do a serious one, or raid your wardrobe for those hilarious fashion disasters!

**Fancy Dress Party** – need we say more? Heros, heroines, witches and wizards...

**Fete** – organise your own, or get a stall at the village fete.

**Flower and fruit stall** – how about popping to the shop before lunch to save people time and encourage healthy eating. Charge a slight profit for charity...!

**Food Hamper Raffle** – everyone bring an item, then buy a raffle ticket to win the lot

**Football tournament** – organise an inter-office/department tournament. Get outside, do some exercise and gain some fans!

Notes/Ideas



**Green Fingers** – liven up your office and home with a plant sales.

**Game Show** – try your very own Blind Date or Blockbusters

**Guess the Baby Photo Competition** – this is fun: ask your office to bring in photos of themselves when young, or photos of their children, stick them up in the office, enter the competition to guess the baby photos.

**Guess How Many** – fill a sweetie jar with lots of sweets, ask people to enter to guess the number of sweets.

Notes/Ideas





**Hat Day at Work.** Horns, baby bonnets, top hats, wear silly headgear and ask friends to do the same for the day and pay for the privilege.

**Halloween Party** – witches, ghosts, monsters, feel free to dress up!

**Hoopla** – set you or your colleague a challenge to keep the hoop going for 1 minute (it's harder than it looks!) or 200 loops.

Notes/Ideas



**Instead of Presents** celebrate a special occasion such as a birthday or wedding – ask your guests to help you make a gift to a good cause – one that will make a difference to so many lives.

**It's a Knockout** – think of some brilliantly inventive games: bungee runs, greasy poles, water slides, huge costumes and gunge!

**I think.....** – what's your idea?

Notes/Ideas



**Jelly Wellies** – Organise the squelchiest race ever – great whatever age you are.

**Jumble Sale** – raid through your wardrobe for things you don't use anymore

**Jeans At Work Day** – pay a £1 for the privilege and feel comfy all day

Notes/Ideas



**Keepy Uppy** - if you've got a budding Beckham in the family, sponsor them to keep the ball in the air for as long as possible.

**Karaoke Night** – this is always good fun. Pay to nominate people for songs and they can only get out of it by matching the money! Think your boss and I'm a Barbie Girl...

**Kite flying** – the UK summer might be rubbish, but there's always a positive.....

Notes/Ideas



**Local Treasure Hunt.** Your area is full of fascinating stories so dig some up and turn them into clues, then charge friends, neighbours and anyone else interested to enter a Treasure Hunt – one winner scoops the treasure but all enjoy.

**Line Dancing** – bring those boots and cowboy hats!

**Lollipop Hunt**

**Lucky Dip** – up to you what you put in it!

**Lookalike Competition** – who do you look like?

Notes/Ideas



**Marathons** are not just about running. We salute those who run Marathons – dedicated, fit and an inspiration but you can all think of a Marathon you could do – Marathon on a treadmill  
Marathon on a bike – Marathon table tennis match  
- you think of it someone will sponsor you to do it.  
Do it in shifts.

**Musical Events** – talent show or orchestra?

**Murder Mystery Dinner Party**

**Magic Show** – be a magician to delight your colleagues and don't forget your lovely assistant

**Masked Ball**

Notes/Ideas



**Nailbiter or chocoholic** – whatever your naughty habit, give it up with a little sponsored help from your friends.

**New Year's Eve Party** – have a party at home, save money on expensive drinks and bars - give it to charity.

Notes/Ideas



**Orienteering Race** – get out in the Great Outdoors and use your navigation skills

**One Hundred Club** – do anything that has the number '100' in it

**Origami Class/Competition**

**Odd jobs** – lawn mowing, DIY etc.

Notes/Ideas





**Purple Hair.** Purple hair looks good and if it's for a good cause and you promise to wear it for a day, at a special occasion whatever – friends will sponsor you.

**Pancake Day** – make pancakes at work...for a charitable price of course

**Pet Talent Show/Guess Who's Pet**

**Penalty Shoot-Out Competition**

**Pound Tower Competition** Get in teams or just have a pound tower in the office – get into competition with other offices to see how high theirs was before it toppled.

**Plate Painting** – make a day of it, go with friends or kids, and keep the plates as souvenirs.

**Parachute Jump** – get sponsored to do something that scares or excites you.

Notes/Ideas



**Quiz Nights.** We all love them – they are popular and often hotly contested. Organise one at home or at your local pub – charge people for attending.

Notes/Ideas



**Raffles.** Are simple to organise and in addition to contributions from friends, local businesses may be willing to help you with selling tickets and donating prizes

**Rapping Contest** – showcase talent, or make a fool of yourselves for fun (and charity)!

Notes/Ideas



**Shopaholics.** Go on a sale challenge to find the best bargains and donate a third of the money saved.

**Sponsored Events** – walks, runs, swims, challenges....

**Speed-Chess Competition**

**Sports Day** - organise an inter-office, or group of friends Sports day in the park, pick a colour for your team, pay a fiver to enter.....

**Swear Box** – put one in your office or home

**Silly Games Afternoon** – think space hoppers, egg and spoon race, wheel-barrow races

**Silence** – how long can your nominated person keep quiet for?

Notes/Ideas



**Teddy Bear's Picnic** - wonderful fun for kids, nostalgic for adults and of course great for bears – organise one and charge for attending.

**Tea Party** – invite your friends round for a tea party, raise money for charity at the same time.

**Tombola** - bring a bottle, buy tickets...maybe win!

**Top of the Pops Show** – missing the show? Use your imagination to recreate your own.

**Tuck Shop** – the less healthy option of the fruit stall. Pop down to the shops and bring back some sweets, anyone can buy, for a tiny added price (for charity).

**Trivial Pursuit Evening** – everyone loves the board game. Charge a small entry fee and play away!

**Theme Days** – maybe Superheroes or Hawaiian Shirts

Notes/Ideas



**Unwanted presents** – we all receive those hideous gifts at Christmas so get together with friends, have a giggle and a sale, or eBay them and donate the money.

**Up the Bidding** - with charity bid or poker nights.

**University Challenge** – nominate your very own Jeremy Paxman

Notes/Ideas



**Valentine** – St. Valentine’s Day is an ideal time for flirty fundraisers to organise a party or dinner, ball or kissathon.

**Variety Show** – it might not be Royal but it’ll be fun!

Notes/Ideas



**Wine to Whisky.** What's that strange purple cocktail at the back of the drinks cupboard (check it's not methylated spirits!)? Collect all your unopened bottles – the ones you don't even intend to open – ask your friends to do the same and run a tombola – throw in other items, dinner and music it's a great night out.

**Wimbledon Tennis Party** - Pimms and strawberries; need we say more?

**Wishing Well** – create your own in the office, People love to through coins into water

Notes/Ideas





**X Marks the spot** when you draw up a pirate's map and ask people to pay 50p for a guess. Treasure ahoy!

**X-Files Day** – the truth is out there.....

Notes/Ideas



**You will find** friends, colleagues and the general public really willing to support you if you're raising funds for a great cause so don't hold back get out there and fundraise and know that you are making a real difference in the lives of so many people.

**Yacht Regatta** - dress up and watch.

**Yoga** – anyone in the office know how to do it?  
Relax at lunch with a class.

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