Escape! Using an escape room game to teach library resources

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### Background

**Previous Library Visits for FYE**

Using the Amazing Library Race was:

- Interactive as the class was grouped in teams of 2, which forced productive collaboration;
- Productive for library familiarization, the website and building could both be covered in the activity;
- Outdated for students of today.

**Two primary needs for FYE courses during library day:**

- Understand the building
- Understand the website

### Fall 2017 - Escape Rooms

**FYE class visits for Fall 2017**

- 36 class visits
- 751 students attended

**Switch to Escape Rooms**

- Relevant to our audience - FYE students;
- Interactive from the first second;
- Covers our needs - website and building;
- Competitive against other participants/teams;
- Cheaper than a traditional escape room experience;
- Fun!

### Our Theme

A rival university is trying to sabotage your library resources, you’ve stumbled in their work area and saving the library is up to you!

### Our Experience

- Positive feedback from students and faculty;
- Only a couple of small details were changed;
- Conducted a post-survey, which we’re analyzing now, more details on that soon - early indicators are positive for information retention.

### What comes in the Breakout EDU kit?

- Breakout EDU Box
- Small Lock Box
- Stackable lock
- UV Light
- Word Lock
- Map
- Directional Lock
- Key Lock
- Three-Digit Lock
- Four-Digit Lock
- USB Drive
- 2 Hint Cards

We use the entire kit, except the key lock and USB.