Interest Groups

1. Brainstorm topics of interest around a central theme
2. Discuss each topic, including how to find information
3. Students choose a topic from the brainstormed ideas
4. Students who chose the same topic form a group
5. Groups find and share information about their topic
6. Groups and/or individual students create a project for their topic

Examples for using interest groups:

 Writing informational text

 Conducting research

 Literature study groups

 Science investigations

 Historical Era

 Exploring visual representations of data (tables, graphs)