

Activity Type

Speaking Activity:
forming sentences,
asking and answering
questions, freer practice
(group work)

Focus

Greetings

Introducing yourself and
others

Aim

To practice language
for greetings, and
introducing yourself and
others.

Preparation

Make one copy of the
cards for each group
of eight and cut as
indicated.

Level

Elementary (A1-A2)

Time

20 minutes

Introduction

Here is an introducing yourself and others activity to help students practice language for greetings and introducing themselves and others.

Procedure

Begin by pre-teaching language for greetings, and introducing yourself and others.

Examples:

Hello, I'm...
What's your name?
Nice to meet you (too).
What do you do?
... let me introduce you to ...
How do you do?

Divide the students into groups of eight.

Give each student an identity card and a corresponding task card.

Explain that the students are going to take on the identity of the person on their card, find the two people on their task card and introduce them to each other.

All the names and jobs are very similar, so students need to listen carefully to make sure they have the right two people.

Students then go around the group introducing themselves and asking each other's names and jobs until they find the two people who are to be introduced.

When a student finds the two people, they introduce them to each other using the target language.

Example:

Peter Brown: Lucy Brown let me introduce you to Peter Smith.
Lucy Brown: How do you do?
Peter Smith: How do you do? What do you do Lucy?
Lucy Brown: I'm an engineer. And you?
Peter Smith: I'm a sales manager.

Identity cards



Identity 1

Your name is Peter Brown.
You are a doctor.

Identity 5

Your name is Lucy Harris.
You are a nurse.

Identity 2

Your name is Peter Brown.
You are a teacher.

Identity 6

Your name is Lucy Harris.
You are a teacher.

Identity 3

Your name is Lucy Brown.
You are an engineer.

Identity 7

Your name is Peter Smith.
You are a sales manager.

Identity 4

Your name is Lucy Brown.
You are a nurse.

Identity 8

Your name is Peter Smith.
You are a doctor.

Task cards



Task 1

Find Lucy Brown, an engineer. Introduce her to Peter Smith, a sales manager.

Task 5

Find Peter Smith, a sales manager. Introduce him to Lucy Brown, a nurse.

Task 2

Find Lucy Brown, a nurse. Introduce her to Peter Smith, a doctor.

Task 6

Find Peter Smith, a doctor. Introduce him to Lucy Brown, an engineer.

Task 3

Find Peter Brown, a doctor. Introduce him to Lucy Harris, a nurse.

Task 7

Find Lucy Harris, a nurse. Introduce her to Peter Brown, a teacher.

Task 4

Find Peter Brown, a teacher. Introduce him to Lucy Harris, a teacher.

Task 8

Find Lucy Harris, a teacher. Introduce her to Peter Brown, a doctor.