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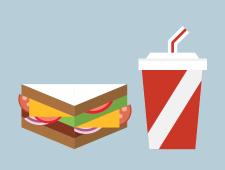






















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Notes for Teachers

The Pre-intermediate Topic-based Teaching Resources eBook

This collection of over 100 teaching resources from the Teach-This.com website provides worksheets, activities, and games aimed at pre-intermediate level (A2) students. These resources have been created by a dedicated team of highly qualified and experienced ESL professionals and have been tried and tested many times in the classroom.

The resources can be used in any general English course and are intended to supplement other materials. These resources are flexible enough to be easily incorporated into most lesson plans and can be used to introduce or reinforce language, practice or revise language structures, or improve core skills.

The book contains a wide range of easy to use, practical, and effective supplementary materials that focus on speaking practice as well as vocabulary or grammar exercises or activities to help students develop their reading and writing skills.

How to Use this eBook

First, scan through the table of contents to select a teaching resource. To make the selection process easy, all resources are categorised according to their relevant language point and are arranged in alphabetical order. The table of contents also indicates the aim of each resource and lists activity types that the students will engage in. Shortcut hyperlinks that quickly and easily direct you to your chosen resource are included.

Each resource comes with detailed teacher's notes that provide key details such as activity types, language focus, aim, preparation requirements, and estimated time duration. The notes also include a comprehensive step-by-step procedure and answer keys, making lessons quick and easy to plan. Each resource comes in a user-friendly and printable A4 PDF format.

Activity Types Explained

Each resource in this eBook falls into one of three categories: worksheets, activities, or games. The worksheets provide opportunities for students to examine form and function and exercises typically focus on either vocabulary or grammar. The activities are designed to provide opportunities for students to practice using the language in more interactive and interesting ways. The games offer students more fun and engaging methods to practice the language and help to liven up lessons.

For each language point covered in this eBook, you will generally be provided with one standalone worksheet, one activity, and one game to help students learn and practice the language in different ways.

Controlled, Freer and Communicative Practice

Speaking activities in this eBook are labelled as either controlled or freer practice. In the controlled practice activities, students are given the target language to practice in a limited form. These activities are more restricted, and the focus is more on developing accuracy. The freer practice activities provide students with prompts that require them to make meaningful choices before they use the language. This enables students to produce the target language more independently with more of a focus on fluency than accuracy. The communicative activities are more free form in nature, giving students more control over the content and the structure of the language used.

Name	Aim	Activity Type	
Animals			
1. Animal Races	To practice animal vocabulary.	Vocabulary Game	
2. Animal Quiz Board Game	To ask and answer questions about animals.	Speaking Game	
3. Animals Crossword	To complete a crossword by describing and guessing different animals.	Vocabulary Activity	
4. What Animal Am I?	To guess animal names by asking yes/no questions.	Vocabulary Game	
	British vs. American English		
5. British vs. American English	To practice American English vs. British English vocabulary.	Vocabulary Exercises	
6. British or American?	To practice distinguishing between British English and American English vocabulary.	Vocabulary Games	
	Christmas		
7. A Christmas Letter	To practice Christmas vocabulary and learn about Christmas traditions.	Vocabulary Game	
8. Christmas Conversation Questions	To complete questions about Christmas with question words and then to ask and answer the questions with a partner.	Grammar, Vocabulary and Speaking Activity	
9. Guess what?	To ask yes/no questions in order to guess Christmas vocabulary.	Vocabulary Game	
	Cities, Towns, and Public Places		
10. Places in the City	To practice vocabulary for places in a city.	Vocabulary, Reading, and Writing Exercises Speaking Activity	
11. Urban Explorers	To practice vocabulary for public places.	Vocabulary Activity	
12. Around Town	To form, ask and answer questions about places in a town or city.	Speaking Activity	
Clothes and Fashion			
13. Clothes Vocabulary	To practice clothes vocabulary.	Vocabulary Exercises Speaking Activity	
14. Things You Wear	To brainstorm clothes-related vocabulary belonging to different categories.	Vocabulary Game	
15. Clothes and Accessories Crossword	To practice or review vocabulary related to clothes and accessories.	Vocabulary, Writing and Speaking Activity	

Name	Aim	Activity Type
Clothes and Fashion (continued)		
16. Quick-Fire Fashion	To practice vocabulary related to clothes, fashion and accessories.	Vocabulary Board Game
	Colours	
17. Life in Colour	To practice the names of colours.	Vocabulary Exercises Speaking Activity
18. Colouring Dictation	To review colours and phrases to describe the colour of an object.	Vocabulary Exercises Speaking Activity
Com	puters, Smart Phones, Tablets and Gad	gets
19. Computer Dominoes	To practice computer-related vocabulary.	Vocabulary Game
20. Tech Talk	To practice asking and answering questions about computers and smartphones with a partner.	Speaking Activity
21. Find Someone Who	To ask and answer questions about computers, smartphones, and gadgets.	Speaking Activity
	Countries and Nationalities	
22. Countries and Capital Cities	To learn the names of countries and their capital cities.	Vocabulary Game
23. Countries and Nationalities Bingo	To play bingo by listening to nationalities and matching them to countries.	Vocabulary Game
24. Countries and Nationalities Practice	To practice country names and nationality adjectives	Vocabulary Exercises Speaking Activity
25. Find Someone Who	To ask and answer questions about countries, nationalities and languages.	Speaking Activity
	Crime, Law and Punishment	
26. Law and Order Crossword	To practice crime, law and punishment vocabulary.	Vocabulary Activity
Cultural Celebrations		
27. The 4th of July	To practice vocabulary related to the 4th of July celebration.	Vocabulary and Writing Exercises
28. Celebrations Challenge	To practice the names of popular cultural celebrations and related verbs.	Vocabulary Activity
29. Travelling Revellers	To familiarise students with the names of different cultural celebrations and festivals.	Vocabulary and Speaking Activity

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Easter			
30. Find Someone Who	To review Easter vocabulary and practice asking and answering questions about Easter.	Vocabulary and Speaking Activity	
31. Easter Bingo	To practice Easter vocabulary.	Vocabulary Game	
	Education		
32. Language for Learning	To learn and practice vocabulary related to learning, school subjects and education.	Vocabulary Exercises Speaking Activity	
33. Top of the Class	To practice vocabulary related to education and study.	Vocabulary and Speaking Game	
34. Education Vocabulary Race	To review vocabulary related to school and education and to create sentences using the vocabulary.	Vocabulary Game	
	Family and Relationships		
35. Family Races	To learn and practice a wide variety of family-related vocabulary.	Vocabulary Games	
36. Family Time!	To practice family relationships vocabulary.	Vocabulary Exercises	
37. The Watanabe Family	To practice family-related vocabulary by completing a family tree.	Vocabulary and Speaking Activity	
38. We Are Family	To learn and practice family-related vocabulary.	Vocabulary Exercises	
	Food and Drink		
39. Cooking Verbs	To brainstorm and write down food words that go with different cooking verbs.	Vocabulary Game	
40. Eating Habits	To ask and answer questions about eating habits.	Speaking Activity	
41. Fruit and Veg Game	To describe fruit and vegetables for other students to guess.	Vocabulary Game	
42. Fun Food Challenge	To practice talking about food and drink using topic-related vocabulary.	Vocabulary and Speaking Game	
43. Name Two	To practice vocabulary related to food and drink.	Vocabulary Game	

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Going Out and Entertainment		
44. Going Out Taboo	To describe and guess places and actions related to going out and entertainment.	Vocabulary and Speaking Game
45. Leisure Lingo	To learn and practice vocabulary related to going out and entertainment.	Vocabulary Exercises Speaking Activity
46. Going Out Survey	To practice going out and entertainment vocabulary by asking and answering questions about likes and dislikes.	Speaking Activity
	Halloween	
47. Find Someone Who	To ask and answer questions about Halloween.	Speaking Activity
48. A Spooky Story	To learn Halloween verb-noun collocations and to practice past simple verbs by writing a Halloween story.	Grammar, Vocabulary and Writing Exercises
	Health and Fitness	
49. How healthy are you?	To complete questions in a health questionnaire and then ask and answer the questions in a group.	Speaking Activity
50. How to keep fit and healthy	To discuss and rank ways to keep fit and healthy.	Speaking Activity
51. Healthy Habits	To learn and practice vocabulary related to health and fitness.	Reading, Writing and Vocabulary Exercises Speaking Activity
	Hobbies and Free Time	
52. Common Interests	To write and talk about free-time activities using <i>play</i> , <i>go</i> and <i>do</i> collocations along with adverbs and expressions of frequency.	Speaking Activity
53. Connections	To practice making connections between hobbies and free-time activities by playing four card games.	Vocabulary Games
54. Free-Time Interviews	To interview classmates about their favourite hobbies and free-time activities.	Speaking Activity
55. Free-Time Mime	To guess hobbies and free-time activities from mimes and to play a true or false game about hobbies and free-time activities.	Vocabulary Game

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Hobbies and Free Time (continued)			
56. What are my hobbies?	To learn to talk about things you like and dislike doing and how they correspond to hobbies and free-time activities.	Vocabulary Exercises	
	Houses, Rooms and Furniture		
57. Find the Furniture	To match household items and furniture vocabulary and to ask and answer <i>Is there?</i> / Are there? questions using the vocabulary.	Vocabulary and Speaking Game	
58. Home Sweet Home	To practice vocabulary related to furniture and household equipment.	Vocabulary and Speaking Game	
59. Are you in the kitchen?	To practice making associations between particular activities and different rooms and parts of a house	Vocabulary Game	
	Jobs and the Workplace		
60. Before they were famous	To guess what jobs fictitious celebrities did before they were famous.	Speaking Activity	
61. Find Someone Who	To learn and practice jobs and work-related vocabulary by asking and answering questions in a <i>Find someone who</i> activity.	Speaking Activity	
62. 9 to 5	To practice jobs vocabulary and describing jobs with has to.	Speaking and Vocabulary Games	
	Love, Romance and Dating		
63. Let's talk about love!	To practice love and relationship vocabulary.	Vocabulary and Writing Exercises Speaking Activity	
64. Love Story Scramble	To practice love, dating and romance vocabulary.	Vocabulary Game	
Modes of Transport			
65. Hit the Road	To practice modes of transport by matching words and pictures together.	Vocabulary Games	
66. Get Moving!	To practice transport-related verbs, adjectives, and nouns.	Vocabulary Game	
Money			
67. Money Mania	To practice verbs, adjectives and nouns related to money.	Vocabulary Game	

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Money (continued)				
68. Find Someone Who	To review money vocabulary and practice asking and answering questions about spending habits and preferences.	Vocabulary and Speaking Activity		
	Music			
69. Tune Up Your Vocabulary	To practice music-related vocabulary.	Vocabulary Exercises Speaking Activity		
70. Musical Mash-Up	To practice talking about music and using related vocabulary.	Vocabulary and Speaking Game		
71. Musical Dominoes	To practice music vocabulary.	Vocabulary Game		
	Numbers			
72. Hundreds Trivia	To practice numbers between 100 and 1000.	Vocabulary Game		
73. Numbers Stress Test	To practice distinguishing between the sounds of <i>-teen</i> and <i>-ty</i> numbers.	Vocabulary Game		
74. Mathematical Geniuses	To practice large numbers.	Vocabulary Game		
	Parts of the Body			
75. Get Moving Board Game	To practice parts of the body vocabulary.	Vocabulary Game		
76. From the Shoulders Up	To learn and practice vocabulary for body parts above the shoulders.	Vocabulary Exercises Speaking Activity		
77. Body Building Race	To practice parts of the body vocabulary.	Vocabulary and Writing Game		
	Reading Comprehension			
78. A Day in the Life	To read a text about a day in the life of three people and complete a series of comprehension exercises.	Reading and Writing Exercises		
79. Can I ask a favour?	To read an online chat between two friends and answer comprehension questions about it.	Reading Exercises Speaking Activity		
80. People and their Pets	To read a text about two pets and complete a series of reading comprehension exercises.	Reading Exercises		
81. Two Holidays	To read two emails and answer a series of comprehension questions about them.	Reading Exercises Speaking Activity		

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	Seasons		
82. Secret Seasonal Word Game	To practice vocabulary related to seasons.	Speaking and Vocabulary Game	
83. Seasonal Survey	To practice asking and answering questions about seasonal habits and preferences.	Vocabulary and Speaking Activity	
	Shapes and Measurements		
84. Mastering Measurements	To learn and practice measurement words and abbreviations.	Vocabulary Exercises	
85. Shapes and Measurements Quiz	To practice vocabulary related to shapes and measurements.	Vocabulary Activity	
	Sports		
86. Sports Collocations	To learn about sports collocations with go, play and do as well as the places where people play sports.	Speaking Activity	
87. Game On!	To talk about sports.	Speaking Game	
	The Natural World		
88. Naturally Speaking	To practice nature vocabulary and talking about the natural world.	Vocabulary and Speaking Game	
89. A Natural Match	To practice vocabulary related to the natural world.	Vocabulary and Speaking Games	
	Time Expressions		
90. A Perfect Match	To match and complete sentences with time expressions.	Vocabulary Game	
91. Future Time Expressions Questionnaire	To unscramble, ask and answer questions that use future time expressions.	Vocabulary and Speaking Activity	
92. Last, Yesterday or Ago?	To race to make sentences with past time expressions using the words <i>last</i> , <i>yesterday</i> , and <i>ago</i> .	Grammar and Speaking Game	
93. Present Time Expressions	To learn and practice time expressions that are used with the present simple and present continuous.	Vocabulary and Grammar Exercises	
94. Time Expressions Survey	To ask and answer questions that use past, present and future time expressions.	Speaking Activity	

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	TV and Film		
95. What's on TV tonight?	To learn about different types of TV programme by asking and answering questions about what's on TV.	Speaking Activity	
96. Lights, Camera, Communicate!	To practice talking about films and cinema.	Vocabulary and Speaking Activity	
	Valentine's Day		
97. Valentine's Day Survey	To ask and answer yes/no questions about Valentine's Day.	Speaking Activity	
98. Valentine's Day Trivia Quiz	To practice Valentine's Day vocabulary and prepositions.	Vocabulary Game	
	Weather		
99. What's the weather like?	To learn weather vocabulary and practice asking and answering questions about the weather.	Speaking Activity	
100. World Weather	To learn weather adjectives and practice asking and answering questions about the weather in various cities around the world.	Speaking Activity	
101. City Weather	To practice vocabulary related to weather.	Vocabulary and Speaking Activity	

Activity Type

Vocabulary Games: answering quiz questions, drawing (group work)

Focus

Animal vocabulary

Animal quiz questions

Aim

To practice animal vocabulary.

Preparation

Make one copy of the animal quiz question cards and body part cards for each group of four and cut as indicated. Keep the two sets of cards separate.

Time

35 minutes

Introduction

In these two animal vocabulary games, students answer quiz questions about animals.

Procedure

Divide the students into groups of four. Give each group a set of animal quiz question cards and a set of body part cards. Ask the students to shuffle each set of cards separately and place them face-down on the table in two piles.

Next, split each group into two teams of two. Give each team a piece of paper.

Then, write the body parts from the cards on the board: a body, four legs, a tail, a neck, a head, two eyes, two ears, a nose, and a mouth.

Explain that the aim of the game is to complete a drawing of a chosen animal by answering quiz questions correctly. The first team to complete their drawing wins the game.

The catch is that the body must be drawn first. Teams must also draw the neck before they draw the head, so each body part needs to connect to the drawing. Otherwise, teams can't draw it. If need be, demonstrate by drawing the body parts in order on the board.

Once the teams understand the rules, they each choose an animal they want to draw that has all the body parts on the board, e.g. a dog. The teams then take it in turns to turn over a quiz question from the pile and read it to the other team, e.g. 'What animal is very big?' The other team then gives their answer, e.g. a whale.

If the answer is acceptable, the team who answered turns over a body part card. If it shows a body, they draw the body of their chosen animal on the paper. The two cards are then placed back at the bottom of the piles.

If a team turns over a body part that doesn't connect with their drawing, play passes to the other team.

The game continues in this way until one team completes their animal drawing and wins the game. You can have the teams play several rounds using different answers and drawing different animals each time.

Afterwards, play a class quiz game using the questions. Keep the students in their groups of four. Read each animal quiz question aloud. The first group to answer appropriately scores a point. (Each quiz question has more than one possible answer.) The group with the most points at the end of the game wins.

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