

Activity Type

Brainstorming and writing activity, group work

Focus

Vocabulary revision

Aim

To brainstorm and write down words from a category.

Preparation

Write categories for the students to brainstorm on slips of paper.

Examples:

Five things you do before you go to bed.

Six things that are watched.

Seven ways to keep fit.

Four things to do on holiday.

Five things you can read.

Six reasons for being late to class.

Level

Any

Time

20 minutes

Introduction

Here is a fun brainstorming game to get your students working together and using English.

Procedure

Place a category slip on the teacher's desk.

Divide the students into teams of three or four.

Give each team a piece of paper.

Each team chooses one student to be the 'runner'.

The runners go to the teacher's desk and read the category, e.g. 'Five things you do before you go to bed'.

The runners then go back to their teams and tell their team members the category.

The teams then brainstorm words from that category and write them down.

The first team to finish shouts 'stop' and then calls out their answers.

If their answers are correct, they score one point for each word in the category, e.g. five.

The next category slip is then placed on the desk and a new round begins and so on.

The team with the highest score at the end of the game wins.