The Flashcard Exchange

Activity Type

Vocabulary Game: matching, identifying vocabulary

Focus

Vocabulary revision

Aim

To review or practice target language.

Preparation

Flashcards based on a topic

Level

Beginner (A1)

Time

15 minutes

Introduction

This engaging flashcard game can be used to practice vocabulary on a variety of topics.

Procedure

Arrange the students' chairs in a circle (minus one chair).

Ask the students to sit on a chair.

The student without a chair stands in the middle of the circle.

Give each student sitting in a chair a flashcard based on the same topic, e.g. sports.

Call out two words based on the topic, e.g. football and tennis.

The two students who have those flashcards must then swap places.

The student in the middle has to try to sit in one of their seats while the two students are swapping places.

If the student in the middle manages to sit in one of the chairs, the student left standing has to give their flashcard to the student who took their place.

Then, call out two other words based on the topic and so on.

The game continues until all the students have had each flashcard at least once.

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