

Activity Type

Brainstorming and writing activity, group work

Language Focus

Verbs

Aim

To write down verbs related to a topic

Preparation

None

Level

Elementary and above

Time

20 minutes

Introduction

In this ESL verb game, students brainstorm regular and irregular verbs related to a topic.

Procedure

Start by reviewing regular and irregular verbs with the class.

Next, divide the class into teams of three or four.

Write a 'Things we do...' topic on the board, e.g. 'Things we do with our brains'.

Tell the students that they have two minutes to write down as many verbs as they can that relate to the topic on the board.

Working together, the students brainstorm and write down the verbs on a piece of paper, e.g. consider, dream, imagine, forgive, guess, etc.

When the two minutes are up, have the teams swap papers for marking.

Teams score one point for each appropriate verb.

Then, write another 'Things we do...' topic on the board and so on.

The team with the most points at the end of the game wins.