

Activity Type

Speaking Game: answering questions (group work)

Focus

Revision questions

Aim

To answer revision or general knowledge questions.

Preparation

Prepare 30 multiplechoice questions with four possible answers each (A, B, C, and D). The questions should start off quite easy and increase in difficulty. These could be revision questions or general knowledge quiz questions.

Level

Any

Time

20 minutes

Introduction

Here is a fun ESL adaptation of the famous TV game show 'Who wants to be a millionaire?'

Procedure

Divide the class into two teams. Put two chairs at the front of the class. Write the following on the board for each team:

15. \$1 MILLION

14. \$500,000

13. \$250,000

12. \$125,000 Lifelines

11. \$64,000

 10. \$32,000
 50/50

 9. \$16,000
 Ask a friend

 8. \$8,000
 Ask the team

7. \$4,000

6. \$2,000

5. \$1,000

4. \$500

3. \$300

2. \$200

1. \$100

A player from each team then comes and sits in a chair at the front of the class.

Ask one player a question for \$100. Give the player time to think about their answer and encourage them to talk about their thought process aloud. Then, ask the player for their final answer.

The player's teammates are not allowed to call out any answers or help in any way. If the player gets the answer right, put a tick next to \$100. Then, repeat the process with the other player.

When both players have answered correctly, two new players come up and answer a question for \$200 and so on.

Each team also gets three lifelines to use when a player is unsure of the answer.

Fifty-Fifty: This is where two of the four answers are eliminated, so only two possible answers remain.

Ask a friend: The player chooses someone in the class to help them answer the question.

Ask the team: The player asks their team which answer they think is correct. This can be done as a vote.

When one player answers a question incorrectly, their team loses the game. The winning team then continues to play to see if they can become a millionaire.