

Activity Type

Listening, speaking and drawing activity, pairwork

Language Focus

Prepositions of place

Describing

Aim

To draw a picture from a partner's description.

Preparation

Make one copy of a picture for each student. The complexity of the pictures will depend on the level of your students.

Level

Elementary and above

Time

20 minutes

Introduction

This type of dictation can be used to help students practice describing and prepositions of place.

Procedure

Divide the students into pairs.

Have each pair sit back to back.

Give one student a picture and the other student a piece of paper.

The student with the picture then describes it to their partner.

The other student listens and draws the picture, according to their partner's instructions.

When the students have finished, they compare the two pictures.

Afterwards, have the students swap roles and describe a new picture.