

Activity Type

Reading, writing, listening and speaking activity, group work

Language Focus

Ordering food and drink
Restaurant language

Aim

To role-play ordering food and drink in a restaurant.

Preparation

Make one copy of the two worksheets for each group of three.

Level

Pre-intermediate

Time

60 minutes

Introduction

This productive worksheet activity can be used to help students role-play ordering food and drink in a restaurant.

Procedure

Divide the students into groups of three.

Give each group a copy of the blank restaurant menu.

Explain that the students are going to create their own restaurant menu.

Tell the students to think of a name for their restaurant and write it at the top of the menu. Students then complete the menu with their ideas.

When the students have finished, explain that they are now going to practice ordering food and drink in a restaurant using the menu they have created.

Give each group a copy of the restaurant dialogue worksheet.

Explain that the students are going to use the numbered prompts on the worksheet to write a restaurant dialogue between two customers and a waiter.

Review how to order food and drink and other possible restaurant language with the class, e.g. 'Can I have...?' 'I would like...', etc.

Students then follow the prompts and write out their dialogue on the worksheet.

When each group has finished, check their dialogue.

Next, arrange the chairs and tables to look like a restaurant.

Have each group role-play ordering food and drink in a restaurant using the dialogue and the menu they have created, exchanging roles each time they finish the conversation.

Finally, students present their role-plays to the class and feedback is given.

~ Menu ~

Starters

_____ \$ _____

_____ \$ _____

_____ \$ _____

_____ \$ _____

Main Courses

_____ \$ _____

_____ \$ _____

_____ \$ _____

_____ \$ _____

Desserts

_____ \$ _____

_____ \$ _____

_____ \$ _____

_____ \$ _____

Drinks

_____ \$ _____

_____ \$ _____

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Use the numbered prompts to write a restaurant dialogue between two customers and a waiter.

Customers

1. Tell the waiter you would like a table for two.
3. Look at the menu and order some drinks.
5. Order starters and main courses.
7. Thank the waiter.
9. Comment on the food.
11. Order desserts.
13. Ask for the bill.
15. Pay the bill and thank the waiter.

Waiter

2. Welcome the customers, sit them down and give them the menu. Ask what drinks the customers would like.
4. Serve the drinks and ask what starter and main course each customer would like.
6. Take the customers' order and repeat it back to the customer. Then, get the food and bring it to the table.
8. Check the customers are happy with their food.
10. Ask if the customers would like dessert.
12. Write down the order and bring the desserts.
14. Calculate the bill and give it to the customers. Then, thank the customers.

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