Activity Type

Reading, writing, listening and speaking activity

Focus

Present perfect for experience

Aim

To write present perfect sentences about things you 'have' and 'haven't done'.

Preparation

Make one copy of the worksheet for each student.

Level

Pre-intermediate (A2)

Time

45 minutes

Introduction

This present perfect game helps to teach students how to use the present perfect to talk about experiences.

Procedure

Give each student a copy of the worksheet.

Tell the students to write down twelve present perfect sentences about things that they 'have' and 'haven't done' in their lives using the verbs in the box on the worksheet.

Explain that six sentences should be true and six should be false.

Tell the students to write sentences that are hard to guess.

When the students have finished writing, ask them to cut out the true and false cards at the bottom of their worksheet.

Next, split the class into small teams. Each team plays against another team. The teams playing against each other must have the same number of team members, e.g. two teams of two, two teams of three, etc.

Give one piece of paper to each team for keeping score.

The two teams sit opposite each other.

One student goes first and reads one of his or her sentences to the opposing team.

The opposing team's players each put down a true or false card, depending on whether they think the statement is true or not.

The student then reveals the answer. The opposing team gets one point for each correct guess.

Then one student on the other team reads one of their sentences, and so on.

This continues back and forth with one team reading a sentence and the other team guessing whether it is true or false, until all the sentences have been used.

The team with the most points at the end of the game is the winner.

Write down 12 present perfect sentences about things that you 'have' and 'haven't done' in your life using the verbs in the box. Six sentences should be true and six sentences should be false.

meet	find	try	play	see	ride	take	visit	be	go	eat	make

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True	False