

Activity Type

Speaking Activity: gapfill, asking and answering questions from prompts, controlled and freer practice

Focus

Social media vocabulary

Aim

To practice vocabulary associated with social media.

Preparation

Make one copy of the worksheet for each student.

Level

Intermediate (B1)

Time

30 minutes

Introduction

In this social media speaking activity, students ask and answer questions about social media.

Procedure

Give each student a copy of the worksheet.

First, students complete the items on the worksheet with verbs related to social media in their correct form.

When the students have finished, go through the answers with the class.

Answer key

accepted
updated
posts
tagged
sent
created
liked
taken
checks
follows

blocked
posts
unfriended
uses
plays
quitting

Next, go through the items on the worksheet and elicit the yes/no questions the students need to ask in order to do the activity, e.g. 'Have you accepted a friend request from someone this week?'

Students then go around the class asking each other the social media questions.

When a classmate answers 'yes' to a question, the student writes down their name and asks a follow-up question to gain more information, noting down the answer.

If a classmate replies 'no' to a question, the student repeats the question with another student or asks a different question.

To encourage students to talk to as many people as possible, tell them that they can only have the same name once.

When everyone has finished, ask students to give feedback to the rest of the class on what they found out.

If there are any interesting findings, encourage the students to discuss them in more detail.



Complete the gaps with the social media verbs below in their correct form.

take	update	tag	like	check	block	unfriend	t
quit	accept	post	create	follow	send	use	play

Find someone who	Name	More information
1. has a friend request from someone this week.		
2. has their social media status in the past month.		
3. has been by someone in a photo in the past week.		
4 a new social media account recently.		
5. has a friend's comment or photos in the past 24 hours.		
6. has a selfie in the past week and posted it online.		
7 their newsfeed more than three times a day.		
8 lots of celebrities on social media.		
9. has someone so they can no longer see their social media page.		
10 photos of the food they eat on Instagram regularly.		
11. has a message to a friend online today.		
12. has someone they didn't want to be friends with anymore.		
13 a lot of emojis in their social media posts.		
14 games with other people on social media.		
15. has thought about social media for a while.		