

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

25 minutes

Introduction

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

Procedure

Give each student a copy of the worksheet.

First, students complete 'Find someone who...' prompts with verbs related to social media in their correct form.

Afterwards, go through the answers and meanings of the verbs with the class.

Answer key

accepted
updated
posts
adds
created
liked
taken
checks
follows
blocked
posts
unfriended
uses
plays
joined

Next, 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.

Finally, students give feedback to 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 in their correct form.

| take | update | add | like | check | block | unfrien | d |
|------|--------|------|--------|--------|-------|---------|------|
| join | 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. often music or text to their Instagram stories or posts. | | |
| 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 a group recently on Facebook or Instagram. | | |