Inside My Bedroom

Activity Type

Grammar and Speaking Game: matching, forming sentences (pair work)

Focus

There is/are

There isn't/aren't

Everyday objects

Aim

To practice making positive and negative 'There is(n't)' and 'There are(n't)' sentences about a bedroom picture.

Preparation

Make one copy of the bedroom picture and sentence cards for each pair of students and cut as indicated.

Keep the 'There is/are' cards and object cards separate.

Level

Elementary (A1-A2)

Time

20 minutes

Introduction

In this 'There is' and 'There are' game, students make true sentences about a bedroom picture while reviewing everyday objects vocabulary.

Procedure

Divide the students into pairs.

Give each pair a bedroom picture, a set of 'There is/are' cards and a set of object cards.

Ask the students to place the bedroom picture face up on the table, and shuffle the two sets of cards separately and place them face down on the table in two piles.

Explain that the students are going to play a card game where they make positive and negative 'There is/are' sentences that describe the bedroom in the picture.

Students then take turns turning over one card from each pile.

If the two cards make a true positive or negative 'There is/are' sentence about the bedroom picture, the student reads it aloud, places the sentence under the picture and scores a point.

If the two cards don't make a true sentence, the cards are turned back over, keeping them in the same place.

The game continues until all the sentences have been completed.

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

Afterwards, review the sentences with the class.

The correct sentences can be checked using the uncut cards.

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THERE IS / THERE ARE

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Sentence cards

There is	a bed.
There is	a desk.
There is	a chair.
There is	a lamp.
There isn't	a TV.
There isn't	a clock.
There isn't	a computer.
There isn't	a sofa.
There are	some books.
There are	some pillows.
There are	some pictures.
There are	some shoes.
There aren't	any flowers.
There aren't	any toys.
There aren't	any bags.
There aren't	any clothes.

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