

Activity Type

Vocabulary, Writing and Speaking Activity: ordering, matching, gap-fill, writing and presenting a dialogue (pair work)

Focus

Making arrangements and rescheduling appointments

Aim

To practice language for making and rescheduling appointments.

Preparation

Make one copy of the two worksheets for each pair of students.

Level

Intermediate (B1)

Time

30 minutes

Introduction

In this making and rescheduling appointments activity, students order, complete and role-play dialogues for arranging and rescheduling arrangements.

Procedure

Divide the students into pairs (Student A and B).

Give each student a corresponding worksheet.

Tell the students not to show their worksheet to their partner.

Explain that each student has half of a making arrangements conversation but the sentences are in the wrong order.

Students then take turns reading a suitable sentence to their partner and numbering the sentences in order.

Exercise A - Answer key

- 1. Hi Alice. It's Pedro.
- 2. Hey Pedro. How are you?
- 3. I'm good thanks. I was wondering if you'd like to see *Zombie Mania* with me.
- 4. I'd love to! Zombie films are my favourite. What day?
- 5. How about tomorrow evening?
- 6. I can't tomorrow evening. I've got a class.
- 7. What about Friday evening then?
- 8. Friday's good for me. Where shall we meet?
- 9. Why don't we meet at Mario's, the Cafe next to the cinema?
- 10. I know Mario's. They make excellent coffee. What time?
- 11. Is 6 p.m. good for you? The film starts at 7:15, so we can have a coffee first.
- 12. 6 p.m. is fine. I'm looking forward to it.
- 13. Great! I'll see you Friday then. Bye for now Alice.
- 14. See you Pedro.

Next, students use language from a box to complete a second conversation about rescheduling the appointment.

Exercise B - Answer key

1. c 2. a 3. f 4. e 5. d 6. b

After that, review the key phrases from the activity with the students.

Finally, pairs write and present a two-part dialogue, where they make and then reschedule an arrangement for the weekend.



the worksheet.

Student A

A. You have half of a making arrangements conversation between Pedro and Alice that's in the wrong order. You are Pedro. Take turns reading a suitable sentence to your partner and number the sentences in order 1, 3, 5, etc.		
Is 6 p.m. good for you? The film starts at 7:15, so we can have a coffee first.		
Great! I'll see you Friday then. Bye for now Alice.		
What about Friday evening then?		
Why don't we meet at Mario's, the Cafe next to the cinema?		
Hi Alice. It's Pedro.		
How about tomorrow evening?		
I'm good thanks. I was wondering if you'd like to see Zombie Mania with me.		
B. Alice calls Pedro back the next day to reschedule their appointment. Complete the dialogue with the language from the box.		
a. I'm afraid something has come up. b. Same time, same place? c. I'm calling about		
d. Sure, that works for me. e. Can we make it Monday instead? f. Oh, that's too bad.		
Pedro: Pedro speaking.		
Alice: Hi Pedro, it's Alice. Listen, (1)		
(2)		
for some important business this weekend, so I have to babysit my brother.		
Pedro: (3)		
Alice: (4)		
Pedro: (5)		
Alice: Excellent!		
Pedro: (6)		
Alice: Yes. See you then. Bye.		

C. Now, with your partner, write and present a two-part dialogue where you make and then reschedule an arrangement for a weekend activity using the language from



the worksheet.

Student B

that's in the wrong order. You are Alice. Take turns reading a suitable sentence to your partner and number the sentences in order 2, 4, 6, etc.		
I can't tomorrow evening. I've got a class.		
I know Mario's. They make excellent coffee. What time?		
Hey Pedro. How are you?		
6 p.m. is fine. I'm looking forward to it.	A X	
Friday's good for me. Where shall we meet?		
See you, Pedro.		
I'd love to! Zombie films are my favourite. What day?		
B. Alice calls Pedro back the next day to reschedule their appointment. Complete the dialogue with the language from the box.		
a. I'm afraid something has come up. b. Same time, same of d. Sure, that works for me. e. Can we make it Monday inst	_	
Pedro: Pedro speaking.		
Alice: Hi Pedro, it's Alice. Listen, (1)	Friday.	
(2)	my parents have to leave town	
for some important business this weekend, so I have to babysi	t my brother.	
Pedro: (3)		
Alice: (4)		
Pedro: (5)		
Alice: Excellent!		
Pedro: (6)		
Alice: Yes. See you then. Bye.		

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