

Activity Type

Reading, listening and speaking activity, group work

Focus

Past and present passive

Aim

To make 'Name three' questions in the past and present passive and to name things belonging to different categories.

Preparation

Make one copy of the cards for each group of three and cut as indicated.

Level

Intermediate (B1)

Time

30 minutes

Introduction

In this passive voice game, students practice making 'Name three' questions in the past and present passive.

Procedure

Divide the class into groups of three.

Give each group a set of cards. Tell the students to shuffle the cards and place them face down in a pile on the table.

Students take it in turns to pick up a card and make a 'Name three' question by completing the gap with the passive form of the verb in brackets. The student then reads out the question to the group.

The student does this without showing the card to the other group members.

The other group members then race to answer by naming three things belonging to the category.

The first student to do this successfully keeps the card.

The student with the most cards at the end of the game is the winner. Afterwards, have a class feedback session to go through the questions and possible answers with the class.

Answer key

1. Name three books that **were made/have been made** into films.
2. Name three things that **are used** by artists.
3. Name three things that **were invented/have been invented** in the last 25 years.
4. Name three programs that **are installed** on your computer.
5. Name three sports that **are played** in teams.
6. Name three things that cannot **be done** alone.
7. Name three animals that **are found** in Africa.
8. Name three things that **are produced** in your country.
9. Name three languages that **are spoken** in Europe.
10. Name three popular TV shows that **are watched** in your country.
11. Name three famous buildings that **were built** more than 1000 years ago.
12. Name three national dishes that **are eaten** in your country.
13. Name three singers who **were born** in the UK.
14. Name three things that **are made** of leather.
15. Name three films that **were shown/have been shown** in the cinema this year.



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