Introduction

Here is a making offers activity to use in class with your students. In the activity, students guess missing words in sentences and questions that make offers with 'will' and 'shall'.

Procedure

On a piece of paper, write the following: The phone's ringing. Shall I answer it?

Write on the board: The phone's ringing. ............ I ............ it?

Demonstrate the activity by telling the students that you have written an offer on a piece of paper and you want them to guess the missing words.

Elicit answers from the students. If a student gives an incorrect guess, say 'Sorry, try again'. When someone gives the right answer (Shall I answer it?), show them your piece of paper and say 'That's right'. If the students are having problems, help the students guess by miming.

Next, divide the students into pairs (A and B) and give each student a corresponding worksheet. Tell the students not to show their worksheet to their partner.

Explain that the sentences with gaps are where they have to guess the missing words and the sentences without gaps are the ones their partner has to guess.

Explain that the missing words are 'will' or 'shall' and a verb or two. The missing words their partner has to guess are in bold on their worksheet. Give the students a few minutes to read their sentences.

Student A starts by guessing the missing words in the first sentence.

Student B replies with 'Yes, that's right' or 'Sorry, try again' as appropriate.

When a student has guessed the missing words, they write them on their worksheet.

Student B then guesses the missing words in the second sentence and so on.

Students should say the whole sentence each time they guess, not just the missing words.

When the students have finished, they check their answers by comparing worksheets.
Student A

Guess the missing words in the sentences with gaps. The missing words are 'will' or 'shall' and a verb or two. When you guess the words successfully, write them in the gaps.

The sentences without gaps are the ones your partner has to guess. The missing words your partner has to guess are in bold.

1. Someone’s at the door. .............. I .............. and .............. who it is?

2. It's dark in here. I will turn on the light.

3. Your flight leaves in three hours. .............. I .............. you a taxi?

4. Your bag looks very heavy. Shall I carry it for you?

5. I can see you like that shirt. I .............. .............., it for you.

6. You look hot. I will get you a glass of water.

7. Did you bring your umbrella? Don't worry. I .............. .............. you mine.

8. I think we are lost. I will stop and ask someone for directions.

9. You forgot to invite Amelia to the party. I .............. .............. her now.

10. The living room looks very messy. Shall I tidy it?

11. I’m sorry. Paul isn't here right now, but I .............. .............. him you called.

12. I will pay for dinner. You got it last time.


14. I can see you're having problems with your homework. I will help you with it.
Student B

Guess the missing words in the sentences with gaps. The missing words are 'will' or 'shall' and a verb or two. When you guess the words successfully, write them in the gaps.

The sentences without gaps are the ones your partner has to guess. The missing words your partner has to guess are in bold.

1. Someone's at the door. Shall I go and see who it is?


3. Your flight leaves in three hours. Shall I call you a taxi?

4. Your bag looks very heavy. .............. I .............. it for you?

5. I can see you like that shirt. I will buy it for you.


7. Did you bring your umbrella? Don't worry. I will lend you mine.

8. I think we are lost. I .............. .............. and .............. someone for directions.

9. You forgot to invite Amelia to the party. I will call her now.

10. The living room looks very messy. .............. I .............. it?

11. I’m sorry. Paul isn't here right now, but I will tell him you called.

12. I .............. .............. for dinner. You got it last time.

13. You wash the car. I will wax it.

14. I see you're having problems with your homework. I .............. .............. you with it.