

Activity Type

Reading, listening and speaking activity, group work

Language Focus

Present simple 'Wh' questions and answers

Aim

To ask and answer present simple 'Wh' questions with the verb 'to be' and 'do'.

Preparation

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

Level

Pre-intermediate (A2)

Time

25 minutes

Introduction

In this present simple discussion activity, students practice asking and answering 'Wh' questions with the verb 'to be' and 'do'.

Procedure

Divide the students into groups of three or four.

Give each group a set of cards.

Demonstrate the activity by writing some questions from the cards on the board.

Elicit the missing word to complete each question, i.e. do, does or the verb 'to be'.

Ask a few students the questions on the board and try to get as much information as possible by asking follow-up questions.

Students then start the activity.


The first student takes a card and asks the other students in the group the present simple 'Wh' question by adding do, does or the verb 'to be'.

The other students then respond in turn.

Encourage the students to ask follow-up questions and give as much information as possible about each topic.

When the question has been answered, the next student takes a card and so on.

When the students have finished, they give feedback to the class on what they found out about their classmates.



Where / you like to go on holiday?

What kind of music / you like?

What / you like to do in your free time?

What apps / you have on your phone?

What time / this class finish?

How / you come to class?

How many languages / you speak?

How many brothers and sisters / you have?

What / your neighbourhood like?

What sport or exercise / you like to do?

How often / you go shopping?

What / your hometown like?

What / you usually have for lunch?

What / your daily routine?

Where / you work or study?

What / you usually do at the weekend?

Who / your best friend?

What / you like about studying English?

What / you do to relax in the evenings?

How often / you study English?