

Activity Type

Grammar and Speaking Activity: forming, asking and answering questions, freer practice

Focus

'Be going to' Wh questions about future plans

Aim

To practice forming and asking 'be going to' Wh questions about future plans.

Preparation

Make one copy of the worksheet for each student.

Level

Elementary (A1-A2)

Time

25 minutes

Introduction

In this 'be going to' Wh questions activity, students practice forming, asking and answering 'be going to' Wh questions about future plans to find classmates with matching answers.

Procedure

Give each student a copy of the worksheet.

Tell the students that they are going to practice asking and answering 'be going to' Wh questions.

Write the first question prompt on the board and explain how to form a 'be going to' Wh question from the prompt.

What / do this evening?

What are you going to do this evening?

Leave the example on the board for the students to follow and then ask a few students the question and write model answers on the board, e.g. 'I'm going to watch TV.'

After that, go through the other items on the worksheet and elicit the 'be going to' Wh questions the students need to ask, e.g. 'What are you going to eat for dinner tonight?'

Next, students answer the questions and write short answers, one to three words, in the column marked 'You'.

Students then go around the class asking the questions to find classmates with the same answers.

Encourage the students to answer questions by making a full sentence if possible, e.g. 'I'm going to stay home.'

When a student finds someone with the same answer, the two students write each other's names in the last column and then move on to speak to someone else.

If a student cannot find anyone with the same answer, they write 'No match' in the last column and move on.

Tell the students that they can only write each person's name once.

This is to encourage the students to speak to as many different partners as possible. If the class is small, allow twice.

When the students have finished, find out who got the most matching answers.

| Wh questions with 'are you going to' | You | Find someone with the same answer |
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| What / do this evening? | | |
| What / eat for dinner tonight? | | |
| Who / meet this weekend? | | |
| Where / go on Saturday? | | |
| What / watch on TV tonight? | | |
| What / read this week? | | |
| What / buy this weekend? | | |
| What sport / play this week? | | |
| What time / get up tomorrow? | | |
| Where / have lunch tomorrow? | | |
| What / do after class today? | | |
| Who / call this week? | | |
| What / wear tomorrow? | | |
| Where / go on your next holiday? | | |
| What / do on Saturday morning? | | |