

Activity Type

Miming and speaking activity, group work

Focus

Vocabulary practice

Aim

To guess words from mimes.

Preparation

None

Level

Any

Time

20 minutes

Introduction

This amusing ESL miming game can be played by students of all ages and levels.

Procedure

Divide the students into two teams.

One player from each team comes to the front of the class and sits facing their team with their back to the board.

Write a word you want the students to practice on the board.

The aim of the game is for the students in the teams to use actions to describe the word. Teams are not allowed to speak or spell the word in the air.

The two players watch their teammates and try to guess the word.

The first player to guess the word scores a point for their team.

That player then changes places with someone in their team.

The other team has to keep the same player in the seat until they are first to answer correctly.

The next word is then written on the board and so on.

The team with the most points at the end of the game wins.