

Activity Type

Speaking activity

Focus

Vocabulary revision

Aim

To say words associated with a category.

Preparation

An inflatable hammer or toy

Level

Any

Time

20 minutes

Introduction

This amusing word association game has been adapted from an English TV game show.

Procedure

Divide the students into two teams.

Have the students line up in their team.

Place two chairs at the front of the classroom.

Have one player from each team come and sit on a chair.

Give the two players a category, e.g. sports.

The two players then take it in turns to say a word associated with the category.

If a player can't think of a word, hesitates or repeats a word, they get hit with an inflatable hammer or toy and are out of the game.

A new player from their team then comes and sits in the chair and the two players are given a new category.

When a student beats three opposing team members, they step down and let someone else play.

The first team to run out of players loses.