

Activity Type

Speaking Game: forming responses from prompts, freer practice (group work)

Focus

Common responses

Aim

To reply to everyday statements and questions with commonly used responses.

Preparation

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

Level

Intermediate (B1)

Time

20 minutes

Introduction

In this small talk game, students reply to everyday statements and questions with commonly used responses.

Procedure

Divide the class into groups of four.

Give each group a set of cards.

Ask the students to shuffle the cards and place them face down in a pile on the desk.

Tell the students that they are going to play a game where they reply to statements and questions with commonly used responses.

The aim of the game is to reply with the exact response shown on the card.

Explain that the correct response may be positive or negative.

Students then take it in turns to pick up a card and read out the statement or question in bold to the group.

The first student in the group to respond with the exact words on the card wins and keeps the card.

The student with the most cards at the end of the game is the winner.

When everyone has finished, go through the statements and questions again as a class and see if the students can remember the correct responses.

I have a maths exam tomorrow.

Good luck!

Have a good weekend!

You too.

This is Abbey, my new flatmate.

Pleased to meet you.

My dog has run away.

Oh no!

I got married last week.

Congratulations!

How do you do?

How do you do?

Would you like a cup of coffee?

Yes, please.

Can I have another slice of cake?

Sure. Help yourself.

Cheers!

Cheers!

Would you like to join us?

I'd love to, but I already have plans.

Are you enjoying the party?

Yes. I'm having a great time.

I just got promoted.

That's great!

How are you?

Pretty good.

Peter can't come. He's busy.

Oh, what a pity.

It's a nice day, isn't it?

Yes, it is.

Say hi to Susan for me.

I will.

Thank you.

You're welcome.

I didn't get the job.

Oh, sorry to hear that.

AAAtchooo! (Sneeze)

Bless you!

Is everything OK?

Yes, everything is fine.