

## Activity Type

Speaking Game:  
matching, forming  
questions from prompts  
(group work)

## Focus

'Wh' questions

## Aim

To form 'wh' questions  
that elicit specific  
answers.

## Preparation

Make one copy of the  
question word and  
answer cards for each  
group of three. Cut the  
cards out as indicated,  
keeping the two sets  
separate.

## Level

Elementary (A1-A2)

## Time

25 minutes

## Introduction

In this 'wh' questions game, students race to use question words to make questions that elicit specific answers.

## Procedure

Divide the students into groups of three.

Give each group a set of question word cards and a set of answer cards.

Ask the students to shuffle the question word cards and deal them out evenly and to shuffle the answer cards and place them face-down in a pile on the table.

Students take it in turns to pick up an answer card and read the sentence on the card aloud, putting emphasis on the words in bold. The student then places the card face-up on the table.

Next, all the students check their cards to see if they have a question word that can be used to create a question that elicits the answer.

The first student to create a suitable question, say it, and place their card down on top of the answer card wins. The two cards are then removed from the game.

If the other players think that a question is incorrect or doesn't match the answer, the student takes the card back and the game continues.

The first student to get rid of all their question word cards wins the game.

Afterwards, check the questions with the class.

(answer key on the next page)

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## Procedure continued

Answer key (some questions may vary)

1. What is his favourite food?
2. Who are you calling?
3. What is she making?
4. Where is the bank?
5. What is he listening to?
6. Where are they going?
7. When is the party?
8. Who is that woman?
9. Where do you eat lunch?
10. Where does Jose play football?
11. Why is he here?
12. Why is the baby crying?
13. When does the programme finish?
14. What is he wearing?
15. Which cake does he want?
16. Why are you going shopping?
17. Which is my classroom?
18. When do they play baseball?
19. When is Christmas?
20. Who is Paolo talking to?
21. Why is she singing?
22. When does the film start?
23. Which is our bus?
24. Where does Maria work?
25. What colour eyes does she have?
26. Which one do you want?
27. What do you eat for breakfast?
28. Where are the children?
29. What is his favourite sport?
30. When is the next lesson?
31. Why are you wearing a jacket?
32. Why is he sleeping?
33. Why is Ana tired?
34. Who do you live with?
35. Which house do they live in?
36. Where is the book?
37. What is his name?
38. When is his birthday?
39. Who do you sit next to?
40. Who is your best friend?
41. Where does Sam live?
42. Which one do you like?



Where	Who	When
What	Why	Who
Why	Which	When
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1. His favourite food is <b>pizza</b> .	2. I'm calling <b>Alex</b> .	3. She is making <b>a sandwich</b> .
4. The bank is <b>over there</b> .	5. He is listening to <b>the radio</b> .	6. They are going <b>to Paris</b> .
7. The party is <b>on Sunday</b> .	8. <b>That woman</b> is his sister.	9. I eat lunch <b>at school</b> .
10. Jose plays football <b>at the park</b> .	11. He is here <b>to talk to the teacher</b> .	12. The baby is crying <b>because it's hungry</b> .
13. The programme finishes in <b>ten minutes</b> .	14. He is wearing <b>a black jacket</b> .	15. He wants <b>the chocolate cake</b> .
16. I'm going shopping <b>to buy some eggs</b> .	17. <b>That</b> is your classroom over there.	18. They play baseball <b>every Saturday</b> .
19. Christmas is on <b>December 25th</b> .	20. Paolo is talking to his <b>mother</b> .	21. She's singing <b>because she's happy</b> .



22.

The film starts **at 11:00**.

23.

**This** bus is ours.

24.

Maria works **in the city**.

25.

She has **blue** eyes.

26.

I want **this** one.

27.

I eat **eggs** for breakfast.

28.

The children are **in the garden**.

29.

His favourite sport is **football**.

30.

The next lesson is **on Tuesday**.

31.

I'm wearing a jacket **because I'm cold**.

32.

He is sleeping **because he's tired**.

33.

Ana is tired **because she went to bed late**.

34.

I live with **my parents**.

35.

They live in **that house**.

36.

The book is **on the table**.

37.

His **name** is Luis.

38.

His birthday is **tomorrow**.

39.

I sit next to **Ali**.

40.

My best friend is **Jose**.

41.

Sam lives in **Rome**.

42.

I like **that** one.