

Activity Type

Reading, writing, listening and speaking activity

Focus

Future simple form 'will' for predictions

Giving reasons with 'because'

Aim

To make predictions based on present observations using the future simple form 'will'.

Preparation

Make one copy of the worksheet for each student. Also, write the name of each student in the class on a slip of paper and place the slips in an envelope.

Level

Pre-intermediate (A2)

Time

35 minutes

Introduction

In this will for predictions activity, students make predictions based on present observations.

Procedure

Give each student a copy of the predictions form. Tell the students to keep their worksheets secret at all times throughout the activity.

Each student draws the name of a class member from the envelope, without showing it to anyone.

Tell the students that the person whose name is on their paper is the subject of their prediction.

Students then write a prediction at the top of the worksheet about the person, giving a reason for their prediction.

Examples:

David will work at a restaurant, because he is always eating.
Jenny will have a big family, because she is great with children.

The students then pair up and give their predictions.

Students begin by writing their partner's in the 'Predictor' column on the form.

The students then give their predictions to each other, without saying who the prediction is about, e.g. 'This person will work at a restaurant, because he is always eating'.

Their partner listens and writes down the student's prediction, leaving the name blank, e.g. '...will work at a restaurant, because he is always eating'.

Students then pair up with someone else and so on. This process continues until the predictions form is complete.

Afterwards, the students try to guess who the predictor is talking about in each prediction. Students write their guesses in the 'Name' column on the form.

Students then go around the class and find out how many of their guesses are correct.

Finally, have a class feedback session to find out the students' predictions and see who got the most correct answers.

