

Activity Type

Speaking Game: guided discussions, responding to questions, giving reasons (group and pair work)

Focus

Making decisions

Stating preferences

Would you rather...?

We would rather... because...

Aim

To discuss *Would you rather..?* questions with a partner and race to make decisions that you both agree on along with a justified reason for each answer.

Preparation

Make one copy of the game board and cards for each group of four. Cut the cards out as indicated. You will also need to prepare two counters for each group.

Level

Intermediate (B1)

Time

25 minutes

Introduction

In this making decisions board game, students discuss *Would you rather...?* questions with a partner and race to make decisions that they both agree on along with a justified reason for each answer.

Procedure

Divide the students into groups of four.

Give each group a copy of the game board, a set of cards and two counters.

Ask the students to shuffle the cards and place them face-down in a pile next to the game board.

Next, split each group into two teams of two. The two teams then place their counters on the start square.

The students take it in turns to pick up a card and read the *Would you rather...?* question to the group, e.g. 'Would you rather own your own boat or your own plane?'

The students in both teams then discuss the question with their partner and race to make a decision that they both agree on along with a justified reason for their answer.

The first team to make a decision and come up with a grammatically correct response, justifying their answer wins and moves their counter forward two spaces, e.g. 'We would rather own our own plane because planes are faster and more comfortable. We also both can't swim very well'.

If a team makes a grammar mistake or comes up with an unjustified reason, the other team can steal the win by creating a suitable response of their own.

The first team to reach the finish wins the game.

START		Go forward two spaces		Go back one space
Go forward one space		FINISH		Go forward one space
Go back one space				Go back two spaces
		Go forward two spaces		





Would you rather own your own boat or your own plane?	Would you rather go without TV or junk food for the rest of your life?
Would you rather be able to breathe underwater or fly through the air?	Would you rather be covered in fur or covered in scales?
Would you rather have your first child when you are 18 or 40?	Would you rather live in Antarctica or the Sahara Desert?
Would you rather have a desk job or an outdoor job?	Would you rather be able to talk with the animals or speak all foreign languages?
Would you rather have a cook or a maid?	Would you rather be on a survival reality show or dating game show?
Would you rather be locked in an amusement park or a library?	Would you rather be known as a one-hit wonder for a novel or a song?
Would you rather explore space or the ocean?	Would you rather be stuck on a train or a bus?
Would you rather be in jail for a year or lose a year off your life?	Would you rather always be 10 minutes late or always be 10 minutes early?
Would you rather read an awesome book or watch a good movie?	Would you rather have unlimited international first-class tickets or never have to pay for food at restaurants?
Would you rather be an average person in the present or a king of a large country 2500 years ago?	Would you rather win the lottery or live twice as long?
Would you rather be without internet for a week or without your phone?	Would you rather be Batman or Spiderman?
Would you rather be chronically under-dressed or overdressed?	Would you rather have one real get out of jail free card or a key that opens any door?