

Signs

Age: Adults.

Level: ESOL entry 3

Length: 1 hour

Vocab: Formal language used on signs

Focus: Reading

Sub skills: Writing answers.

Materials: Worksheet.

Curriculum References: Rw/E3.1a Rw/E3.5a Rt/E3.3a

1. Draw a few signs on the board, the no smoking sign, gents and ladies toilets, no parking, no entry etc. You can use the signs around your classroom or institution. Asks students what they are. Open up a discussion about signs they understand and signs they don't.
 2. Give out the first picture with the questions and have the students work through the answers in pairs or alone.
 1. e
 2. a
 3. b
 4. g
 5. c
 6. f
 7. h
 8. d
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1. In a shop car park.
 2. Hanson Electrical
 3. Customers of the shop.
 4. It opens at nine am,
 5. It closes at four am. .
 6. They will clamp it.

3. Have the students work through the next photo and worksheet.

1. b
2. a
3. e
4. c
5. d

1. On a post box.
2. Royal Mail.
3. The last collection is at six thirty.
4. The last collection is from the box on Malmo Road at seven thirty.
5. They are collected at two o'clock.
6. The telephone number is 08457 740740
7. www.royalmail.com

NB: Signs are everywhere and they use tough formal language. ESOL/ESL students need to be aware of what they mean.

The answers to the questions on the worksheet are fairly easy, however, students will find making the sentences to explain the answer difficult.

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Sign 1



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Sign 2



Sign 1

Vocabulary - match the words and phrases from the sign in the first column (1 to 8) with the words and phrases in the second column (a to h)

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| 1. Customer | a) Stop your car |
| 2. Parking | b) understand it's your fault |
| 3. Accept responsibility | c) no longer have something |
| 4. Damage | d) metal block on car wheel |
| 5. Loss | e) person shopping |
| 6. Theft | f) someone stole it |
| 7. Authorisation | g) harm your car |
| 8. Clamped | h) permission |

Questions

1. Where can you see this sign?
2. What is the company called?
3. Who can park in the car park?
4. What time does the shop open on Wednesday?
5. What time does the shop close on Sunday?
6. What will they do if you park in the car park without permission?

Sign 2

Vocabulary - Match the words and phrases from the first column (1 to 5) with those from the second column (a to e)

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| 1. Collection | a) More |
| 2. Additional | b) Collect |
| 3. Required | c) All day |
| 4. Throughout the day | d) Monday holiday (usually) |
| 5. Bank Holiday | e) Needed |

Questions

1. Where can you see this sign?
2. What is the company called?
3. What time is the last collection from this box?
4. What time is the last collection?
5. What time are letters collected on bank holidays?
6. What is 'Royal Mail's' telephone number?
7. What is their Internet address?