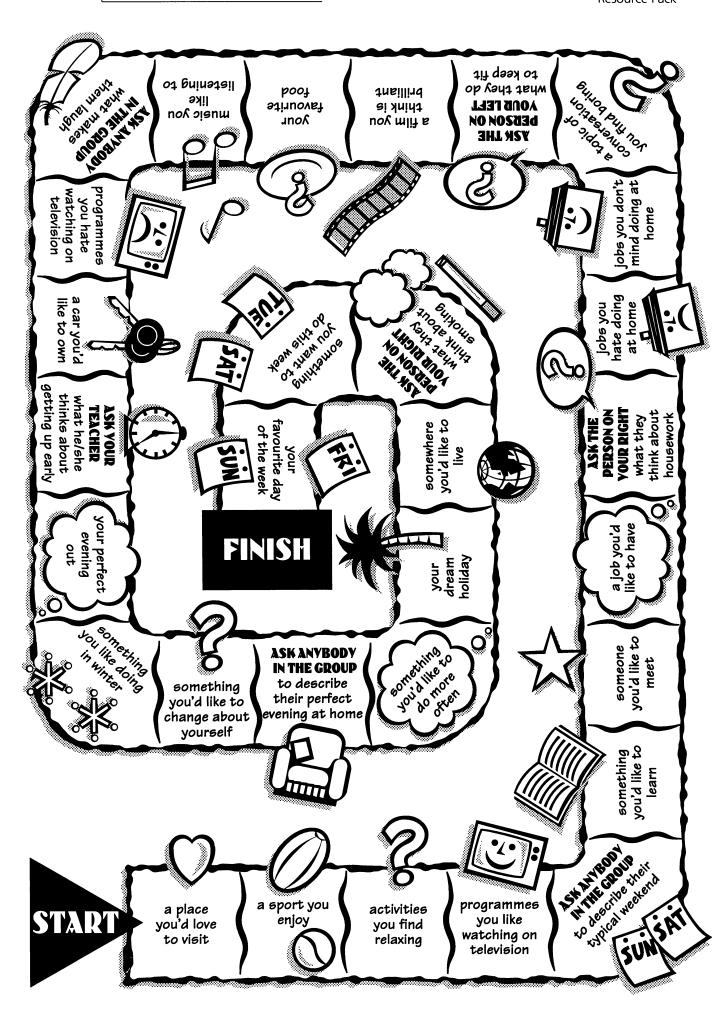


Solutions for English Teaching

Reward Intermediate Resource Pack

Half-minute topics



Half-minute topics Worksheet 4



ACTIVITY

Groupwork: speaking

AIM

To play a board game by talking about given topics.

GRAMMAR AND FUNCTIONS

Talking about likes and dislikes.

Verb patterns: to or -ing

Would like to/love to + infinitive to talk about ambitions, hopes and preferences

Adverbs and adverbial phrases of frequency

VOCABULARY

Routine and leisure activities

PREPARATION

Make one copy of the worksheet for every four to six students in the class. Provide dice and counters for each group. Each group will also need a watch with a second hand.

TIME

30 to 40 minutes

PROCEDURE

- 1 Ask the students to work in groups of four to six.
- **2** Give one game board, some counters and dice to each group.
- **3** Before the students start playing the game, explain how to play using the instructions below. If you wish, you can photocopy these instructions and distribute a copy to each group, or display a copy on an overhead projector.
- **4** The students are ready to play the game. While they are playing, go round to each group and check they are playing correctly.

HOW TO PLAY THE GAME

- 1 Put the game board in the middle of the table and place a watch with a second hand next to it.
- **2** All the players put their counters on the square marked START and throw the dice. The first player to throw a six starts the game.
- **3** Player A throws the dice and moves their counter along the board according to the number on the dice.
- 4 Player A then reads the topic on the square the counter has landed on and talks about it for 30 seconds. Players should be timed from the point at which they start talking, thus allowing them a little thinking time before they start talking.
- 5 If a player lands on a square with the instruction to ask somebody else, they should read the topic aloud to the relevant person who then talks about it for 30 seconds.
- 6 If a player has nothing to say on the topic they have landed on, they are allowed to pass and miss a turn, but they can only do this once in the game.
- The game continues in a clockwise direction until the first player reaches the square marked FINISH.