



Solutions for English Teaching

Snakes and Ladders worksheet



ACTIVITY

Groupwork: speaking

AIM

To play a board game by putting the correct phrasal verbs in sentences.

GRAMMAR AND FUNCTIONS

Phrasal verbs with one or two particles

VOCABULARY

Phrasal verbs: write down, think over, come up with, think about, put on, throw away, go on, tear up, catch on, turn down, live up to, bring about, take over, get together with, ask for, come out, turn up, look into

PREPARATION

Make one copy of the worksheet (game board) for every three to four students in the class. Provide a die and counters for each group. Make one copy of the answers below for each group of students.

TIME

20 to 30 minutes

PROCEDURE

- 1. Ask the students to work in groups of four or five and to appoint one student as referee.
- 2. Give each group one copy of the game board, a die, and counters, and give a copy of the answers to the referee.
- 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 around to each group and check that they are playing correctly.

FOLLOW-UP

Make one copy of the worksheet for each student in the class and ask them to fill in the blanks with the correct particle(s) or verb + particle(s) for homework.

HOW TO PLAY THE GAME

- 1. Players put their counters on the square marked START and throw the die.
- 2. The first player to throw a six starts the game.
- 3. Player A throws the die and moves his or her counter along the board according to the number on the die.
- 4. If Player A lands on a square with a sentence, he or she should say the missing particle(s) or verb and particle(s). The referee checks the answer and if it is correct, Player A can throw again. If the answer is not correct, Player A misses the next turn. The referee does not give the correct answer yet, in case another player lands on the same square.
- 5. Players who land on a square with a ladder leading up to another square can move their counters up to the top of the ladder if they give the correct answer.
- 6. Players who land on a square with a snake's head in it have to follow the snake to the square at the end of its tail, and move their counter to that square. They then wait for their next turn before they can throw the die again and move forward.
- 7. The game continues until the first player reaches FINISH.

ANSWERS

1 down **3.** up with 4. about **5.** on **2.** over **6.** away **7.** on **8.** up **10.** on

11. down **12.** up to **13.** about **14.** over **15.** together with **16.** for **18.** out **19.** up

21. into 22. up with 23. went on to 24. live up to 25. come out 26. caught on 28. went on

30. put ... on 31. wrote ... down **32.** bring about 33. thinking ... over 34. thinking about

35. turn down **36.** asking ... for **37.** get together with **39.** torn ... up