

Guessing game: *would like*

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Level: Elementary

Target age: Secondary / adult

Time needed: 30 minutes

Grammar objective: to practise using *would like* + noun, *would like to*

Materials: one set of situation cards per group

Summary: This is an accuracy-based guessing activity for small groups to practise *would like* + noun, and *would like to*.

Before the lesson

1. Cut up the situation cards for the students.

Procedure

1. Put students in groups of three or four.
2. Give one set of cut-up situation cards to every group.
3. The groups put the cards face down in a pile on the table.
4. Students in each group take it in turns to take a card from the pile.
5. They read the situation silently and then think of a question that they might ask in that situation. The question must start with "Would you like (to) ... ?" For example, if the card reads

Your friend's mobile phone isn't working.

the student may say: "Would you like to borrow my phone?"

6. The others in the group try to guess the situation.
7. The game continues until all the cards have been used.

Key (example questions):

- You are driving into town. You see a friend waiting at a bus stop.
– "Would you like a lift?"
- You are a shop assistant in a clothes shop. A customer is looking at a dress.
– "Would you like to try it on?"
- You are a waiter in a restaurant.
– "Would you like the bill?"
- A friend comes round to your house.
– "Would you like a drink?"
- A friend is staying with you for the weekend.
– "Would you like to go to that new club?"
- You are phoning a friend to arrange an evening out.
– "Would you like to meet at your house?"
- You are at a party.
– "Would you like some cake?"
- Your grandmother is staying for the weekend.
– "Would you like to sit out in the garden?"
- Your friend and her two-year-old child are at your house. The child is bored.
– "Would you like to go to the playground?"

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