

Activity Type

Reading, listening and speaking activity, group work

Language Focus

Adverbs and expressions of frequency

Present simple

Aim

To play a board game where you make true present simple sentences using adverbs and expressions of frequency.

Preparation

Make one copy of the game board for each group of three or four and enlarge to A3 if possible. Also, provide a dice and counters for each group.

Level

Pre-intermediate

Time

20 minutes

Introduction

In this useful teaching activity, students play a board game where they make true present simple sentences using adverbs and expressions of frequency.

Procedure

Divide the students into groups of three or four.

Give each group a copy of the game board, a dice and counters.

Players place their counters on the start square.

The players then take it in turns to roll the dice and move their counter along the board.

When a player lands on a square, they make a true present simple sentence using the phrase on the square and a frequency adverb or expression from the board.

The other group members listen and judge the player's sentence.

If the player makes a grammatically correct and believable sentence, they stay on the square.

If the player makes a grammar mistake, they must go back to their previous square. If the sentence seems unbelievable, the group members ask the player to explain more about their sentence.

The first player to reach the finish wins the game.

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START FINISH	see your best friend	get angry	eat chocolate	go away for the weekend	speaking English
visit relatives		always			hang out with friends
do sport or exercise		usually			listen to the radio
use public transportation		normally / generally			arrive late to class
go to the hairdresser's		often / frequently			drink coffee
go on a picnic		sometimes			go to parties
forget something important		occasionally			leave a tip
write emails		seldom			check your phone
travel by airplane	lose your keys	hardly ever / rarely	feel lazy	go for long walks	wear jeans