

Activity Type

Vocabulary and Writing Game: writing descriptions, guessing (group work)

Focus

Descriptions

Adjectives of appearance and personality

Aim

To write descriptions of classmates and to try to guess who is being described from other descriptions.

Preparation

None

Level

Any

Time

25 minutes

Introduction

In this ESL describing game, students write descriptions of classmates and try to guess who is being described from other descriptions.

Procedure

Divide the students into teams of five or six.

Put students who look similar in the same team.

Give each team a piece of paper and a pen.

Teams then secretly choose a student from their team to describe.

Next, teams write sentences describing the student's physical appearance and then move on to write about the student's personality and character.

Depending on the level of your class, you can ask the students to write down adjectives or complete sentences.

When the teams have finished, they take it in turns to read out their description and the other teams guess who is being described.

The answer is then revealed and any team that guessed correctly scores a point.

Play several rounds with teams describing a different teammate each time.

The team with the most points at the end of the game wins.