

Activity Type

Reading and speaking activity, group work

Focus

Zero conditional

'What do you do if...?' questions and answers

Aim

To ask and answer 'What do you do if...?' questions using the zero conditional.

Preparation

Make one copy of the game board for each group of four. Enlarge the game board to A3 if possible. You will also need to prepare some dice and counters.

Level

Intermediate (B1)

Time

30 minutes

Introduction

In this zero conditional activity, students play a board game where they ask and answer 'What do you do if...?' questions.

Procedure

Divide the students into groups of four.

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

Students place their counters on the start square.

Players take it in turns to roll the dice and move their counter along the board.

When a player lands on a square, the student to their right asks them a 'What do you do if...?' question from the prompt on the square.

The player then tries to answer the question appropriately by making a zero conditional sentence.



If the player forms the sentence correctly, they stay on the square.

If not, the player must go back to their previous square.

If the group is unsure about an answer, they can reject it.

The first player to reach the finish wins the game.

As an alternative, you could have the students miss a turn instead of going back to their previous square.

Finish		...you can't sleep at night?	...you get sunburn?	...there is nothing to watch on TV?	...people push in front of you in a queue?
...you receive bad service in a restaurant?		Oh no! Go back to the start			...you cut yourself?
...you don't want to do your homework?		...a shop assistant gives you too much change?		Super Skip! Move Ahead	...the Internet goes down?
...you feel sick?		...you need to borrow some money?		...you want to do some exercise?	
Miss a turn		...you don't understand your teacher?		...you get a headache?	
...you feel bored at home?		...you can't find something?		Move ahead 2 spaces	
...you are locked out of your home?		...you feel sleepy during the day?		...you forget your homework?	
...you feel hungry at night?		Oh no! Go back		...you wake up late for class?	...you eat too much?
Move ahead 2 spaces	...you have to prepare for an exam?	...someone near you in a cinema makes a lot of noise?			Start