

Type of activity: individual work, pair work, group work

Focus: holidays and travelling, exam tasks (poziom podstawowy – dłuższy tekst użytkowy; poziom rozszerzony – słowotwórstwo), fun activities

Level: B1

Time: 45 minutes

Preparation: a copy of worksheets A and B for each pair of students, a copy of worksheet C for each student; taboo cards – one set per class;

Procedure

1. Set the topic by playing a warm-up game – 'Pyramid'. Choose one student to sit in front of the class, facing the students, with the board behind them. Write the following words on the board:

		holiday	
	boat		car
summer		school	free

The students in the class explain the words to the volunteer, starting from the bottom of the pyramid. Only when the bottom level of the pyramid has been completed, can they move to the next one. You can change the words, but they should be quite easy – it's a warm-up, not an elaborate game. Once the students have finished the game and understand the topic of the lesson, you can have a short talk with them about their holiday plans.

2. Put the students into pairs and distribute worksheets A and B. Tell the students to write the questions first. Circulate around the class, helping the students with the questions and checking their answers to make sure that the questions they ask each other are grammatically correct.

Worksheet A

- 1 Where has Lisa come back from?
- 2 What was the food like?
- 3 Where did they decide to go on the excursion?
- 4 What were they planning to do?
- 5 What couldn't she afford that day?

Worksheet B

- 6 How long/much time did she spend there ?
- 7 What was the weather like?
- 8 When did they set off ?
- 9 What did she forget/did she realise that she had forgotten ?
- 10 What happened when they got to the bus stop?

3. Set the writing task. Time permitting, you can ask the students to write it during the lesson or set it as homework.
4. Draw the students' attention to the word-building task. Before the students get engaged in the task, you can ask them a few word-building questions, such as:
 - What adjective comes from MEMORY?
 - What noun comes from HOSTILE?
 - What's the opposite of ENCOURAGE?
 - What noun comes from TRAVEL?
 - What negative adjective comes from SUIT? etc.

Key:

- 1 inexperienced
- 2 sightseeing
- 3 specialities
- 4 hospitality
- 5 unforgettable

5. Play the TABOO game with students. In the game, a student has to explain/describe/define the word given (written on a card they choose) without using the words written below it, for example:

the word to define

these word cannot be used

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The game works best if it's a competition between two or three teams. Divide the students into teams. The students take turns to draw the cards and explain the words to their teams. Give one point for each correct guess.

HAVE A WONDERFUL HOLIDAY!