

Question Exchange

Aim: Give Ss practice asking and answering questions.

Levels: All

Preparation: Write one verb or phrase for each S on pieces of paper.

Comment: Use with Grammar Focuses that involve questions.

- After presenting the Grammar Focus, write the grammar structure on the board. For example:
How often do you _____?
- Give each S a piece of paper with a different verb or phrase (e.g., *play sports*).
- Explain the task. Ss go around the room and find a partner. They take turns asking and answering questions using the structure on the board and the word or phrase on their piece of papers. For example:
“How often do you play sports?”
Then Ss exchange papers and find a new partner.
- Model the task with one or two Ss.
- Ss complete the task. Continue until Ss exchange papers with most of their classmates.
- Elicit interesting answers from the class.

Option: Encourage Ss to ask follow-up questions.

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