

Activity Type

Vocabulary Game: matching, forming sentences from prompts (group work)

Focus

Summer vocabulary and collocations

Aim

To play a game of dominoes where you make sentences with collocations related to summer.

Preparation

Make one copy of the dominoes for each group of three and cut as indicated.

Level

Elementary (A1-A2)

Time

25 minutes

Introduction

In this engaging summer collocations game, students play dominoes by making sentences with collocations related to summer.

Procedure

Divide the students into groups of three.

Give each group a set of dominoes.

Ask the students to shuffle the dominoes and deal out five each, leaving the rest in a pile face-down on the table. Tell the students to turn over the top domino from the pile and place it face-up on the table.

The first player places one of their dominoes at one end of the domino on the table, pairing a verb with a summer word or vice versa to make a collocation.

The player then makes a sentence using the summer related collocation and says it to the other group members, who judge the sentence.

Examples:

I go on holiday next week.

I wear shorts when it is hot.

If the sentence is grammatically correct and makes sense, the domino remains in place. If not, the player must take back the domino.

Play then passes to the next student and so on.

If a player cannot put down one of their dominoes, they take a domino from the top of the pile and put it down if they can. If there are no dominoes left in the pile, play passes to the next student.

The first player to get rid of all their dominoes wins the game.

Afterwards, hold a class feedback session to review the students' sentences and summer collocations.

Note: This resource can be edited using a PDF editor.

Summer Collocation Dominoes



water	go	on holiday	wear	shorts	go
swimming	have	fun	go	to the beach	ride
a bicycle	take	a trip	make	a sandcastle	wear
sunglasses	have	a barbecue	visit	a water park	wear
a sun hat	go	to the park	wear	a swimming costume	feel
hot	have	a picnic	eat	hot dogs	go
camping	eat	ice cream	fly	a kite	drink