

Guided Speaking Teacher's Notes

Can I borrow your phone?

Activity	Questions and answers
Aim	To practice asking questions and using vocabulary of possessions and clothes.
Interaction	Groups
Language focus	Requests and responses; vocabulary of possessions and clothes
Skills focus	Speaking, listening
Preparation	Make one copy of the worksheet and cut up the eight role cards and the 24 item cards for each group of eight students.
When to use	After Unit 2
Time	10–15 minutes
Procedure	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1 Divide the students into groups of eight. 2 Demonstrate the activity, and explain that the students are going to practice asking to borrow things from their friends. 3 Give each student a role card and three item cards. Each role card identifies the items they need to borrow. The three item cards the students receive should be different from the items mentioned on their role cards! 4 The students walk around the room, and try to find the three items they need to borrow. They can only ask people in their own group. 5 The students ask each other <i>Can I borrow your ...?</i> If the student has the item, he/she says: <i>Yes, of course you can</i> and hands over the item card. If the student doesn't have it, he/she says: <i>No, I'm sorry. It's at home.</i> 6 The students keep asking other students until they have all the items they need to borrow. 7 The activity finishes when all students have all the items they need.
Variations	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1 The students sit around the table in groups. Each student has a role card. Place the item cards in a pile on the table. The students pick up the top item card, and the student that needs the item has to ask if he/she can borrow it. The first student to get all the items wins. 2 When the game is finished, the students walk around the room again and ask for their possessions back. They ask <i>Can I have my ... back?</i> If they've asked the right person, he/she says: <i>Yes, sure you can</i> and hands over the card. If they've asked the wrong person, he/she says: <i>No, I'm sorry, you can't.</i>