

Guided Speaking

Noughts and crosses

Activity	Noughts and crosses game
Aim	To play a game revising phrasal verbs.
Interaction	Pairs
Language focus	Phrasal verbs with <i>up, down, off, on, over, back, away, out, for</i>
Skills focus	Speaking, reading
Preparation	Photocopy a worksheet for each pair. Give one board to each pair and cut up the 18 sentences.
When to use	After Unit 7
Time	20 minutes
Procedure	<p>1 Explain or demonstrate the game of noughts and crosses to the class. Draw a box with nine columns on the board and explain that the idea is to complete a row across, down or diagonally with either crosses (X) or noughts (O).</p> <p>2 Divide the class into pairs. Each student decides if they are going to be noughts or crosses.</p> <p>3 Explain the rules:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Each pair is given the 18 sentences, and the board. Each person takes five sentences. The rest of the sentences are put face down in the middle. • One student starts. He/She uses one of the particles on the board and one of his/her sentences to make a correct sentence using a phrasal verb. If they cannot do it, they are allowed to pick up one other sentence. If they still can't do it, they miss a turn. • If the other student decides the sentence is correct, the winning student writes O or X in the space. • The game then continues. The student who first completes a row – across, down or diagonally – is the winner. <p>4 Start the game. Monitor and give help when needed.</p>
Key	<p>I gave up chocolate on New Year's Day.</p> <p>That music is too loud. Could you turn it down a bit?</p> <p>I came into the house, took off my coat and sat down.</p> <p>He wanted to stop but I told him to go on.</p> <p>It was years before he really got over the death of his wife.</p> <p>You can't take my mobile! Bring it back!</p> <p>My pen was broken so I threw it away.</p> <p>Look out! There's a car coming towards you!</p> <p>I waited for the bus for over an hour, but it didn't come.</p> <p>I couldn't remember the word so I looked it up in the dictionary.</p> <p>Why are you panicking? Calm down.</p> <p>The plane took off ten minutes late.</p> <p>The children all got on together very well.</p> <p>Today my instructor asked me to take over control of the plane for the first time.</p> <p>He got back from work very late yesterday.</p> <p>The police chased him down the street but the burglar got away.</p> <p>I think I'll try out those new dance steps again.</p> <p>My brother is applying for his first job.</p>