

WEEK 2 KNOWING THE SUBJECT

A menu of practice activities

The practice activities below can be used to practise vocabulary or grammar. Try some of them with your learners.

More controlled speaking activities	More controlled writing activities
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Listen and repeat (the most controlled speaking activity!) - Describe pictures using specific vocabulary e.g. to practise present continuous/activities, learners look at pictures of people and say 'He's _____ing, She's _____ing' - Read a dialogue (perhaps changing specific parts) - Information exchange e.g. one learner has some information, the other has different information. They ask and answer questions to discover the missing information e.g. Student A has this information: <i>The biggest animal in the world is an elephant.</i> Student B has this information: <i>The biggest animal in the world is _____.</i> Bs ask 'What is the biggest animal in the world?' 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Match words to pictures - Crosswords and wordsearches - Unscramble sentences - Fill gaps in sentences e.g. <i>I always _____ before I go to bed.</i> - Change the sentences to make them true for you e.g. <i>If I had a million dollars, I'd buy a Ferrari my mum a house.</i> - Complete the sentence <i>e.g. My favourite colour is...</i> <i>My favourite food is...</i> - Correct the mistakes
Freer speaking activities	Freer writing activities
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Tell a story from pictures - Role play - Debate - Interview - Class survey - Group discussion - Jigsaw reading/listening: Learners read or listen to different information and then tell each other about it 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Write true sentences about yourself - Write a story about... - Write an email about... - Write about the last time you... - Groups write the beginning of a story, pass their paper to another group who writes the middle, then a third group writes the end