

Alphabet Warm Up Activity



Level:

Beginner—Intermediate, can be adapted for higher levels



Objectives:

The student will be able to practice writing and speaking previously learned vocabulary words in a fast paced setting.



Timing

5-25 minutes



Prep/
Materials:

- Choose a theme or two, for example: foods, animals, things found in a home, tools on a farm, items in an office, etc.
- Prepare a list of the words from your selected groups that begin with each letter of the alphabet (make more than one thematic list, if possible)



Breakdown:

1. Introduce the theme of the vocabulary list & discuss to provide context
2. Review the meaning of words on your list, but, review in a random order
3. Ask your student to list all the letters of the alphabet on a sheet of paper
4. Have the student write a list of words that begin with each letter of the alphabet, the words should correspond with the chosen theme.
5. Review the list of words the student created and have them read each word out loud. You can discuss the spelling, review the phonetic sound of the words and compare their list with yours.

To make the activity more challenging, cut slips of paper that each contain one letter from the alphabet. Pick a theme, then, pull one letter and give the student 30 seconds to come up with a word that begins with the letter. This can be written or spoken, depending on their skill needs.