



Would You Like A Drink?

Pre-Intermediate Weekly Warmer

Time: 30 minutes

Level:

Pre-intermediate and above.

Language Aims:

Ordering sentences of a dialogue, reading for meaning, practicing requesting a drink.

Preparation

Make copies of the dialogue sentences on the next page, one copy for each group of students. Students will work in groups of three. Cut the sentences into strips. (If you copy each set of sentences onto different colored sheets of cardboard or paper, they will be much easier to sort!)



Procedure:

1. Mix up the dialogue sentence strips in each set. Students sit in their groups of three around tables. Put one complete set of sentences upside down between each group of three students. Label each student A, B or C. Ask them to sort the sentences into A, B, and C sentences. Each student then looks at 'their' strips (i.e. C looks at the sentences for the C.) Give them time to read their sentences and think about what they mean. (Tell them not to show their sentences to other students in the same group.)

2. Tell students in a group that they have a few minutes to decide **where** the conversation takes place, **who** A, B and C are and **what** is happening in the conversation. Let them spend a few minutes comparing ideas with other students to work out what the answers are.

(Answers: the conversation takes place outside and inside a cafe. A. and B. are friends who have been shopping and C. is a waiter. A. and B. are ordering drinks in a cafe.)

3. Check answers for 2. with students. Then ask them to work in their groups to put the sentences in the order in which they are spoken. (You may like to tell them what the first sentence is.)

4. The first group to put the sentences in the correct order are the winners.

5. Asking each group to practice saying the dialogues in their roles. (You could work on pronunciation and intonation if you wish.)



B: Thanks for helping me with my shopping. Can I buy you a coffee or something?

A: Thanks. I'd love something to drink.

B: Let's try this cafe...O.K...what would you like to drink?

A: Something cold. An orange juice please.

C: Can I help you, sir?

B: Yes, could we have one orange juice and one cup of coffee, please.

C: Certainly, sir. Nescafe or Bali coffee?

B: Is there a difference?

C: Yes, sir. Nescafe is the global brand but we grow our own here in Bali.

A: I didn't know that. Where is it grown?

C: In the mountains north of here. Would you like to try it?

B: Yes please. A Bali coffee sounds good.

A: And I'd like to try it too. Do you drink it with milk?

C: You can, but most people drink it black.

A: OK, we'll both try it black.

C: So, that's two black Bali coffees?

B: Yes please.

C: Certainly, I'll bring those right away.