PERSONALITIES AND CHARACTERS

GAME INSTRUCTIONS

Number of players: by teams, 4 teams in a session conformed by 4 or more individuals.

Player’s age: teenagers to adults.

Time: 20 to 30 minutes.

Game’s goal: to get rid as many cards as possible while the time spends.

Required materials: 21 photographs of popular personalities and characters in cards of 10 by 6 cm. covered with plastic envelopes.

Proposed characters and personalities


Rules: Every team have a set of five cards and beginning with five cards in the center, a representative of the first team (1) shut his eyes while the representative of other team (2) turns over a card. «1» open his eyes and gives the name of the missing one, if his/her answer is correct an he/she can say a short sentence about the personality or character in the card, he can bring down a card rising the number of cards at the center. Then «2» close his eyes and «3» In the same way turn over one card, «2» tries to guess the lacking card and so on until the time is over. The winner is the team that get rid the most of the cards.

PEDAGOGIC FRAMEWORK

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LEVEL OF LANGUAGE: Beginners, first semester of bachillerato.

REQUIRED SKILLS: Background about topic, recalling, short sentence oral expression, basic vocabulary: adjectives, prepositions and verbs.

GENERAL OBJECTIVE: To be correctly defined.

SPECIFIC OBJECTIVE: At the end of this sequence the student will be able of using his background when read short texts that describe people and then produce oral sentences that describe the characteristic of a person or individual.

PEDAGOGIC PHASE: Appropriation of vocabulary, adjectives preposition and verbs in present simple tense related in a semantic web.

DEVELOPING OF ACTIVITY: See “Rules”.

REQUIRED TRAINING: knowledge of adjectives, preposition an verbs in present simple tense, structure of the sentences in English, and a previous reading about the show business and its personalities.

RECOMMENDATIONS

- Teacher can ask to students to bring a card of 10 x 6 cm. with a photograph of his/her favorite actor, actress, singer, or character on TV to conform a set of cards.
- Teacher can organize as many groups of teams to play as were necessary so he has to take into consideration the number of students in the class.
- Try this game after of having teaching verbs and adjectives that describe people, and after of having read an article about TV and movies, for example movie awards.

POSSIBLE ADVANTAGES AND DISADVANTAGES: You could lost the control of group, it can be a noisy activity, some students could lost attention on activity while their partner are in competition, on the other hand, students can make usage of acquired vocabulary and have a significative experience about knowledge recently appropriated.