Valentine’s Day Date

Time: 15 Minutes

Description: A pair work activity to help students practice making suggestions.

Language Point: Making Suggestions and Brainstorming

Preparation: Make copies of the Profile handout and the Valentine’s Day Date handout.

Instructions: Give all your student a copy of the handouts. Divide your students into pairs. Ask your students to tell you some popular ideas for Valentine’s Day dates. Write some of their ideas on the board.

Review the phrase: Why don’t we...?

Use some of the student’s ideas to complete the sentence.

For example: Why don’t we go out for a romantic dinner?

Give your students 10 minutes to work in pairs to complete the handout. After 10 minutes ask each pair to present their suggestions. Students can use the following dialogue to present their idea.

Student A: What should we do for Valentine’s Day?

Student B: Why don’t we go out for a romantic dinner?

You can write the dialogue on the board to help your students.
Profile Handout

What kind of Valentine’s Day date can you suggest for each person?

Betty Love
Name: Betty Love
Age: 27
Likes: Pizza, candy, movies.
Dislikes: Sports.

Candy Smith
Name: Candy Smith
Age: 34
Likes: Noh, poetry, pop music.
Dislikes: Poetry.

Bob Green
Name: Bob Green
Age: 28
Likes: Sports, movies, animals.
Dislikes: Unhealthy food.

Dan Lucas
Name: Dan Lucas
Age: 35
Likes: Art, Noh sports.
Dislikes: Pop music.
Part 1

Read the profile of each person in the Profile Handout. Ask your partner the following questions:

1. Which two people do you think make the best couple?
2. Why?

Write your partner’s answers here:

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Part 2

With your partner choose one man and one woman from the Profile Handout. Write their names here:

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Brainstorm

Look at each person’s likes and dislikes. Can you suggest a date that the man and woman will both enjoy? Brainstorm many different ideas with your partner.

Write your ideas here:

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Choose one of your ideas and complete this sentence:
Why don’t we _____________________________?

Example: Why don’t we go out for a romantic dinner?