# Tips and guides GROUP CLASS





# Introduction

Group classes are a bit different from one-on-one classes in a sense that we need to maintain the attention of multiple students; efforts and energy will be divided and being sensitive to everyone's attention limit is a must. Here are some things I personally do in handling group classes.



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#### Reminders

Ask short simple questions but can be expressed with short phrases. (WH questions without "why" questions)

Give each students a chance to answer different questions but with similar level of difficulty.

We are not only introducing vocabularies and teaching grammar patterns. We are also training autonomy and confidence, incorrect answers can still be rewarded; different level of rewards can be done depending on the accuracy and length of the answer that is required for certain questions.



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Student's attention span varies but generally short. Ice breaker games can help sustain their attention and anticipation towards the games that are being played.

# Ice breaker

Interactive games

Random

Options

Interactive games are great ice breakers, these games can be used to be able to maintain or to bring back the attention of the students, moreover, they can also help train different aspects of the language such as vocabularies and phrases. (Remember: don't finish the game in one go, it will be time wasting and defeat the purpose of maintaining attention.)

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#### • Reminders

Make a short initial review of the vocabularies and grammar use that were introduced in the first part.

Adjust the difficulty accordingly based on the initial observations done at the first part of discussion.

I usually give more challenge at this part of the discussion, I have already gauged the abilities of each student so difficulties can be varied depending the ability of the student being asked. Games can be shortly done after this part of the discussion if there's still enough time



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Short but complete review can be done as by this time, there won't be enough time to make the review long.

Make sure to target the following difficulties that were observed for the whole class.

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After summary, we can say our usual goodbyes.

## Farewell

Tips

I usually do not end the game that were played for today, I can save their scores and continue it for the next class. (This can give you more chances for next bookings.

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As much as possible, make the end of the class positive. (Recency effect: an effect where recent events are mostly remembered)

# Reinforcement techniques

Fixed-Ratio Schedule: Giving rewards and reinforcement after a certain amount of responses. (This is effective to classes consists of children with shorter attention spans) Variable-Ratio Schedule: Giving rewards after an unknown time and responses made. (This is good for classes consists of children with more stable attention span and with higher level of



Common topics for free talks and rapport building.



# Supplemental websites

• Websites that I personally use for games and materials.

#### Interactive games

www.baamboozle.com

- https://www.eslgamesplu s.com/fun-games/
- https://www.education.co m/
- https://www.roomrecess. com/

Leisure games https://www.y8.com/ • https://www.numuki.com/ • https://www.friv.com/new .html https://www.abcya.com/ https://www.cokogames.c om/

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https://bulbapedia.bulbagarden.net/wiki/List\_of\_Chinese\_Pok%C3%A9m on\_names (these are Chinese names of Pokemons)

For kids who love Pokemon! https://tw.portalpokemon.com/play/poked ex/quiz https://gearoid.me/pokem on/ https://japeal.com/pkm/



