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Text Messaging

Group/Level: Any

Length: a couple of minutes

Resources needed: phone with camera

Areas/Functions/Skills: grammar points, writing, vocabulary

Objective: Maintain students engaged in practicing lesson content with real-life examples

Activities

Preparation

Text-message

Occasionally (or as the teacher decides), the teacher will group-text a picture and a question that will be related to the content being taught in class.

Example

“Prepositions. In, On, Besides, By, etc.”

“Text back full sentences.”

“Where is the ketchup located?”

The teacher can answer back with pertinent corrections, and ask students to text their own questions.

Follow Up

Students can have the picture next class and discuss further. Also, printed pictures can be distributed, if necessary (if the activity can have longer life).

Modification/Expansion

The teacher can ask different students to group-text their own pictures of grammar points.

If text messaging is not a possibility, the teacher can use email, and follow the same procedure.

