

Activity Type

Speaking Game:
estimating (group work)

Focus

Shopping

Prices

Numbers

Aim

To accurately guess the
price of products.

Preparation

Prepare pictures of
different products and
their prices.

Vary the products from
basic everyday items to
luxury goods.

Level

Any

Time

20 minutes

Introduction

This ESL shopping game has been adapted from a famous TV game show. The game can be used when teaching shopping, prices or numbers.

Procedure

Divide the students into teams of four.

Give each team some pieces of paper.

Have each team think of a team name and draw a scoreboard on the board.

Show the teams a picture of a product.

The aim of the game is for the teams to estimate the price of the product. Estimates must be the actual cost or lower to win.

Each team then estimates how much the product costs and writes down their answer.

Each team then gives their price.

Write each team's price on the board.

When all the teams have guessed the price of the product, reveal how much it costs.

Teams who over-estimated the actual price are out of the round.

The team that guessed closest to the actual price wins the round and scores ten points.

Repeat the game with a different product and so on.

The team with the most points at the end of the game is the winner.