Discussing Simple News Topics



Level: B1/Low Intermediate

Duration: 60 minutes

Course Title:

Batch/Class:

Objective:

By the end of the lesson, students will be able to:

• Discuss simple news topics in English using basic vocabulary and phrases.

Materials Needed:

- Whiteboard and markers
- Flashcards with key vocabulary (e.g., news, report, journalist, weather, sports, etc.)
- Handouts with dialogues and scenarios related to discussing news topics
- Copies of simple news articles or summaries (optional)

Warm-up (10 minutes):

- Begin the class by asking students about their habits of consuming news in their native language. Discuss the importance of being able to discuss news topics when living in or visiting an English-speaking country.
- Introduce the topic of the day: "News Flash: Discussing Simple News Topics". Discuss the importance of this skill when interacting with English speakers.

Presentation (15 minutes):

- Introduce key vocabulary related to news topics. Use flashcards for visual aid and pronunciation practice.
- Use the whiteboard to write simple sentences about news topics and explain each part.
 For example, "The weather report says it will rain tomorrow.", "The sports news reported a big win for the local team."
- If available, provide copies of simple news articles or summaries and practice discussing them using the key phrases.

Practice (20 minutes):

- Distribute handouts with dialogues and scenarios related to discussing news topics. Students practice the dialogues in pairs, taking turns in each role.
- Conduct a listening exercise where the teacher discusses a simple news topic. Students listen and then identify the key phrases used in the conversation.

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Production (10 minutes):

• **Role-play activity:** Set up scenarios where students need to discuss news topics, such as at a social gathering, with a coworker, or with a family member. Encourage students to use the key vocabulary and phrases learned in the lesson.

Wrap-up (5 minutes):

- Review the key vocabulary and phrases. Ask students to provide examples of how to use them.
- Encourage students to practice discussing news topics in English outside of class. They can do this in their daily lives or by using English language learning apps or websites.

Homework:

- Write a short paragraph summarizing a simple news topic, using the key vocabulary and phrases.
- Listen to an English-language news report online (provide a few recommended resources) and write down the key phrases used.

Assessment:

- Participation in class activities and discussions.
- Accuracy and creativity in the role-play activity.
- Completion and quality of homework assignments.

Teacher's Notes:

Happy Teaching!

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