

Teacher's Guide for the New English Curriculum

Eighth Grade

Unit 2 Dialogs 2018

Fun Times: Inside and Out

Friend 1: Hey! What would you like to do today?

Friend 2: Well, I don't like staying inside. I would like to go outside today. The river is perfect for kayaking. Do you like kayaking?

Friend 1: Kayaking is fun, but I like playing basketball, soccer, and volleyball more.

Friend 2: We can shoot hoops, if you want! I like running around on the court. But you have to promise to pass the ball. You never pass the ball!

Friend 1: I can pass the ball if you can catch it!

Friend 2: Of course I can catch it! Maybe after basketball, we can go swimming in the ocean.

Friend 1: I love swimming! I'll bring my snorkeling gear!

What's your favorite...?

Teacher: Ok, class, what's your favorite sport?

Student 1: Gymnastics!

Student 2: Skate-boarding!

Teacher: Is skate-boarding a sport?

Student 1: I don't think it's a sport. You don't pass, throw, hit, catch, or shoot anything!

Student 2: Yeah, but you have to jump, and balance, and move in special ways to not fall! I can do tricks that are very hard.

Teacher: Skate-boarding sounds like it requires a lot of exercise!

Student 2: Teacher, would you like to try skate-boarding?

Teacher: Hmm... I could try it, yes!

Student 1: Let's all go outside!

Ready to Play: Tell me the rules (Video game)

Friend 1: I have no idea what I'm doing.

Friend 2: I can tell you the rules and how to play. This is my favorite video game and I would like to play it together.

Friend 1: Ok, what do I do?

Friend 2: First you have to choose your character. Hit "x" when you know which character you want.

Friend 1: Ok. How do I hit and kick?

Friend 2: Press "square" and "triangle" to kick in different ways. Hit "x" and "circle" to punch. If you push "forward" and "circle", you can shoot a fireball at me!

Friend 1: This game seems violent.

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Friend 2: It's ok, it's just a game. It's like watching a movie. We would never do these things in real life!

Friend 1: When do you usually play this game?

Friend 2: I like playing this game every evening. You could come over again tomorrow and we can practice it again!

Friend 1: Sounds great!

(Sport)

Coach: Ok, today I'm going to teach you how to play baseball.

Player: I don't know any of the rules!

Coach: Don't worry, I will explain everything. First, hold the bat firmly with both of your hands and stand right here.

Player: Ok...

Coach: Then, the pitcher will throw the ball towards you, and you have to try to hit it. Ok?

Player: I will try.

Coach: If you don't hit it, the catcher will catch the ball behind you and we will try again. Ok? Coach to pitcher: Ok, pitcher, throw the ball!

(Pitcher throws the ball and the player hits the ball)

Coach: Great job! Now run to first base. Run, run!

Up close and personal: A day I'll never forget

News reporter: It is an honor to be talking to you today. How do you feel after winning the gold medal?

Gymnast: It feels amazing! I am so thankful for my parents who made me take lessons in gymnastics as a kid. I worked so hard to go to the championship.

News reporter: Participating in this championship was difficult. What were you thinking about while you competed?

Gymnast: I always think that I have to try my best to beat the competition. I have to prepare myself, mentally and physically, for the next challenge.

News reporter: After this, you're going to the national competition! How do you feel?

Gymnast: Nervous, very nervous. But I have a lot of support from my family and friends, so that gives me confidence.

News reporter: Well, I wish you good luck at the national games. We will be watching you!

Gymnast: Thank you so much for interviewing me today!

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