



Access English Centre
Immigrant Centre Manitoba
High Beginner/Intermediate Warm-up Activity
Dress-up Theatre
15 minutes



Objective/Goal:

This warm-up activity is designed to be a fun activity for participants to work collaboratively with each other.

Materials:

Participants need:

- a box each containing various clothing and accessories (ex. costume jewelry hats, etc.)

Facilitator needs:

- whiteboard
- whiteboard markers
- Optional: computer(with internet access)
- projector
- screen

Procedure:

Before the activity:

Prepare 4 or 5 boxes of various clothing items and accessories containing hats and costume jewelry.

Write the following Wh-question words: **Who?**, **Where?**, **When?**, **Why?**, **What?**, and **How?** on the whiteboard.

Optional: pre-select images depicting different scenarios, i.e. park, grocery store, etc. from the Internet.

Activity Instructions :

- 1) **Ask** the group to share the places they go to during the week, i.e., school, home, park, church, grocery store, restaurant.
- 2) **Write** their answers on the board.
- 3) **Divide** the whole group into smaller groups of 3 or 4 participants.
- 4) Have each group **choose** one scenario from the whiteboard.
- 5) **Explain** to the group that they will look in their boxes and **choose** clothing and accessories that would be appropriate for the various scenarios/settings.
- 6) Each group will **choose** 1 person to wear the items. (**Wear** the items



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over the clothes they are already wearing.)

7) **Share** and **report**. Each member will **talk** about the group's creation.

8) **Ask** "Wh" questions on the whiteboard about the creation.

9) Demonstrate:

Ex.: Put on various clothes and accessories for a day at the beach.

Wear a straw hat, sunglasses, carry a picnic basket, and blanket.

Pose questions to the participants:

- * Who am I or who do I look like?
- * Where am I going?
- * When do you think I am going?
- * Why do you think I am going there?
- * How will I get there?

10) Participants will work in their small groups.

11) If there is time at the end of the period, have each small group share their creations with everyone.

Extension Activities:

- *Extension Activities are alternative or extra activities that can be done to supplement the main activity when there is extra time. They can also be done in the next class as a review of previous vocabulary or conversation.*

A. Participants can pose questions after each small group shares their creation.

B. Have participants share their own extra clothing or accessories and incorporate them in their presentation.

*Please see the websites for additional info:

Ex.: <http://www.englishexercises.org/makeagame/viewgame.asp?id=5283>

Ex.: <http://www.englishclub.com/vocabulary/wh-question-words.htm>

Ex.: http://www.myenglishpages.com/site_php_files/grammar-lesson-wh-questions.php