

Teacher notes

Can you help?

Language point

Professions
Asking for information
Indirect questions

Aim

To practise indirect questions, asking for information and professions.

Activity

Students roleplay situations.

Organization

Whole class

Preparation

Copy enough pairs of cards for the number of pairs in your class.

What do I do?

- 1 Divide students into two groups. Give each student in one group a "profession" card and each student in the other group a "problem" card.
- 2 Sit students with "job" cards around the room, in their "shops".
- 3 Students with "problem" cards must go from shop to shop, asking (indirect) questions until they find someone who can help them with their problem.
- 4 When students have found the person who can help, they should continue asking questions to get the information on their card.
- 5 Pairs repeat their roleplays for the class.



<p><i>You are a plumber</i> \$50 / hour \$20 call out charge 24 hour service</p>	<p><i>Your toilet is blocked... find help!</i> How much will it cost? When will they repair it?</p>
<p><i>You are a dry cleaner</i> \$10 for a suit \$4 for a shirt 1 hour service</p>	<p><i>Your suit and 2 shirts need cleaning for a wedding...find help!</i> How much will it cost? How long will it take?</p>
<p><i>You are an electrician</i> \$40 / hour 24 hour service</p>	<p><i>You arrive home from holiday and have no electricity...find help!</i> How much will it cost? When will they repair it?</p>
<p><i>You are a mechanic</i> \$30 call out charge Open from 8:00am - 6:00pm</p>	<p><i>Your car won't start. It's 8:00pm... find help!</i> How much will it cost? When will they repair it?</p>
<p><i>You are a dentist</i> \$40 for a consultation Open from 8:30am - 6:30pm No more appointments today!</p>	<p><i>Your son has a bad toothache... find help!</i> How much will it cost? When can he have an appointment?</p>
<p><i>You are a locksmith</i> \$2 for key copying Immediate service</p>	<p><i>You want to make a copy of your house key for your girl/boyfriend... find help!</i> How much will it cost? How long will it take?</p>