

Change Chairs

Aim: Review vocabulary and improve listening in an active way.

Levels: Intro and 1

Preparation: None

Comment: Use with classes of six or more Ss to review vocabulary and improve listening.

- Ask Ss to move their chairs into a circle, facing the center. Stand in the middle.
- Explain the task. Give an instruction that starts with *Change chairs* (e.g., “Change chairs if you are wearing jeans.”). All Ss wearing jeans stand up and change chairs.
- Model the task a few times.
- Ask one S to stand up. Take away his or her chair.
- Explain the task. The S without a chair stands in the center and gives the next instruction (e.g., “Change chairs if you have one brother.”). This time, the S in the center also tries to sit down. The S left without a chair stands in the center and gives the next instruction.
- Model the task.
- Ss play the game.

Variations: Use this game to review specific categories of vocabulary (e.g., clothes, hobbies).