Crossword puzzle

Aims

Practice talking about sports, exercise, and hobbies.

Language focus Vocabulary

Sports, exercise, and hobbies

Set-up

Pair work

Lesson link

For use after Unit 1, Lesson D

Time

25 minutes

Preparation

Duplicate two puzzles and sets of clues for each pair, one each for Students A and one each for Students B.

Procedure

- 1. Tell students they are going to work with a partner to complete a crossword puzzle.
- 2. Put students in pairs and give each student a Student A or Student B puzzle and set of clues. Tell students that they should not look at their partner's worksheet.
- 3. Tell students that they each have the same puzzle. On Student A's sheet, all of the *Across* clues have been completed. On Student B's sheet, all of the *Down* clues have been completed.
- 4. Model the activity. Have a Student A read the first *Across* clue. Elicit the answer from Students B (*karate*) and have them write it in the puzzle. Then have a Student B read the first *Down* clue aloud while Students A guess the answer (*table tennis*). Point out that in a crossword puzzle, you do not put spaces or dashes between words.
- 5. Have pairs continue reading their clues aloud and completing the puzzle. If students can't guess a word, their partner can give them additional clues, for example, the first or last letter of the word (*It starts with the letter b.*).

- As students are working, walk around to monitor the
 activity and help as needed. Make sure students are
 actually reading their clues aloud and not just copying the
 answer from the sheets.
- 7. When pairs are finished, have them compare worksheets and correct any differences.

Answer Key

Across

- 1 karate
- 3 baseball
- 7 telescope
- 8 yoga
- 10 read
- 12 fashion
- 13 swim

Down

- 2 table tennis
- 4 autographs
- 5 jewelry
- 6 golf
- 7 travel
- 9 cook
- 11 ski

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Student A

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Across

- 1. I'm interested in sports, especially martial arts like ______.
- 3. My uncle plays ______ on a professional team.
- 7. In my free time, I use my ______ to look at the stars.
- 8. I do ______ in the park. My teacher is from India.
- 10. I'm interested in literature. I ______ a lot.
- 12. I love cool clothes. I'm interested in ______.
- 13. I ______ every day. There's a pool in my apartment building.

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Student B

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Down

- 2. My wife and I play ______. It's good exercise.
- 4. I always ask people to write their names in my book. I collect ______.
- 6. I like quiet, calm sports. That's why I play ______ every weekend.
- 7. Brazil, Canada, France, Singapore . . . I love to ______.
- 9. I love food! I like to ______ big dinners for my friends.
- 11. In the winter, I ______ in the mountains.