World music

Action video note

Instruct Ss to make their own video about their favorite music.

Write the script

- Preview the activity: Tell Ss they will work in small groups to make a video about their favorite music. Explain that they can make a talk show or an interview video. Point out that the target language involves talking about their opinions on music, agreeing and disagreeing, and making suggestions. Encourage Ss to discuss a variety of music genres and offer a variety of opinions about them.
- Option: If Ss prefer to work alone, have them write their script as a video diary. Alternatively, if it's appropriate for your class, Ss can do a news-style review of local music acts and make suggestions about upcoming shows to go see.
- Write the script: Put Ss into small groups. Model the sample script below with two volunteers. Then have groups write their scripts. Remind Ss to express different opinions and to use phrases to express agreement or disagreement.

Sample script

- A: What type of music do you like?
- B: I really love country music.
- C: Really? I don't. I love jazz.
- A: So do I! There's a concert this Friday.
- C: We should go to it! (to B) Do you want to come, too?
- B: Sure! I like all kinds of music.
- Check the script: Have groups rehearse their scripts. Go around the room and give help as needed.

Make the video

- Plan the video: Tell groups to rehearse their scripts and plan where and how they will make their videos. Point out that Ss may want to include samples of music in their videos
- Make the video: Have Ss make their videos.
- Option: If Ss enjoy working with video, they can edit their videos, adding any music or graphics they like.

Share the video

- Ss share their videos with the class.
- Option: Have a group or class discussion about the videos. What kind of music was the most popular? the least popular?