

Project 4 – Design your TV series

Objectives

- To make the students use their planning, problem solving and negotiation skills.
- To make them revise the language for physical descriptions and personalities, and conversational language.
- To make them use their imagination.

Materials

- One *Design your TV series* worksheet for each student.
- One set of Prompt cards + Word Bank list for each student.

Time Parts of 3 lessons

Procedure

- Divide the students into groups of three-four.
- Give them one *Design your TV series* worksheet and make them work on the task.
- Give each student a set of Prompt cards + Word Bank.
- Students work in their groups and decide which character on their TV series has the problems they find in the prompt cards. They make notes.
- They plan what will happen in the next episode. First they write the plan as an outline.
- They write the episode as a narrative and read it out.

Alternatively, they can improvise one of the dialogues in the episode.



Design your TV series

Step 1

These are the characters of your TV series: Judie, Ricky, Emma, Ryan, Daniel, Patricia, Ashley, John. Think about them and write short notes about each of them about their physical appearance, their age, their personality.

Judie	Ricky
Emma	Ryan
Daniel	Patricia
Ashley	John

Step 2

Decide and make notes about:

- how your TV series is called
- where the story is set
- how the characters are related
- what they do for a living
- who are friends, lovers or enemies

Notes:

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Prompt cards

Someone is going to discover who his/her real father is.	Someone has just found out they are expecting a baby.	Someone has witnessed a murder.
Someone is having an affair with someone else's partner.	Someone is going to get divorced.	Someone has just met a person he/she thought was dead.
Someone is going to be kidnapped.	Someone has just been made bankrupt.	Someone is planning to leave home.
Someone has just lost his/her job.	Someone has applied to a prestigious dance academy.	Someone thinks he/she is seriously ill.
Someone thinks his/her partner is going to rob a bank.	Someone is in love with two different people.	Someone has just won a competition.
Someone has stolen a lot of money.	Someone is seriously ill in hospital.	Someone is planning to join 'Doctors without Frontiers' in Africa.

Word Bank

agree	offer	consider	avoid	refuse	prevent
bet	pretend	admit	swear	manage	lose
expect	delay	accuse	imagine	plan	love
promise	decide	succeed	intend	shoot	miss
betray	fight	hate	reply	help	help
allow	threaten	deny	pray	suggest	try