Driving Verbs and Vocabulary

Teacher's Notes



Level: Intermediate

Description: Get into, get out of, run over, drop off... the plethora of phrasal verbs associated with the topic of car travel are confusing enough to drive any English learner round the bend! And it doesn't end there... What about all those pesky car-related nouns? The activities in this resource allow students to practise Driving Verbs and Vocabulary in a varied and practical way, both alone and in pairs.

Aim: To practise Driving Verbs and Vocabulary through a variety of written and communicative activities.

Procedure: Give each student a copy of the two-page worksheet.

Exercise A: Students begin by reading the sentences and circling the correct Driving Verb.

answer key:

1. b 2. c 3. a 4. a 5. b 6. c 7. b 8. a 9. a 10. b

Exercise B: Next, students match the Driving Verbs from the previous exercise with the correct definitions.

answer key:

1. run over2. break down3. get out of4. crash into5. drop off6. get into7. pull over8. turn on9. pick up6. slow down

Exercise C: Students then complete the sentences using the correct particles.

answer key:

1. down, into 2. over, of 3. off, up 4. down, over 5. on, into

Exercise D: Students go on to complete the sentences, using one of the Driving Verbs (in the correct form), plus one of the nouns provided.

answer key:

slow down, speed limit
got into, seatbelt
brakes, get out of
run over, tyres
picked up, boot
dropped off, horn
pulled over, licence
turned on, windscreen
steering wheel, crashed into
broke down, headlights

Exercise E: Lastly, students pair up with a classmate and use nouns from the previous exercise to complete the questions. Once they've done this, they chat and answer the questions.

answer key:

1. horn 2. speed limit 3. windscreen 4. steering wheel 5. boot

NB British/American variations: **BrE** boot, tyres, licence / **AmE** trunk, tires, license