

Communication Challenges Dice Game

Instructions

- 1 *Choose one of the situations below and decide how you will communicate to sort that situation out, for example:*
 - Write an email (to the person involved, a different person or a group of people)
 - Send a text (= a text message = an SMS, from your mobile phone)
 - Phone someone
 - Leave a phone message/voice mail message
 - Go and speak face to face
 - Leave someone a note (e.g. put a Post It note on their computer screen)
- 2 *Your partner will try to think of as many possible problems as they can in that situation and assign a number on the dice to each one. If they can't think of six possible problems, the other numbers on the dice will be "No problem".*

For example, for the "Quit your job" situation card, the problems could be:

- Throw a 1: Your boss won't accept your resignation
 - Throw a 2: Your contract says you have to continue working for 3 months after quitting
 - Throw a 3: Your boss is angry with you
 - Throw a 4: Your boss offers you a promotion if you stay
 - Throw a 5: No problem
 - Throw a 6: No problem
- 3 *Throw the dice and roleplay that situation with your partner, with a problem to sort out if your partner thought of a problem for the number that you rolled. If you can deal with the situation successfully, play passes to the next person. **If you can't find a solution, do the same thing with another card and throw of the dice**, continuing until you find a successful solution to one. Even if there is no problem, you should still roleplay the situation.*

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Cards to cut up

Cut up one set per group of two or three students, or cut up one set and give them to students as they need them.

Invite a foreign guest to a restaurant	Invite a foreign guest to a bar	Book a hotel	Try to arrange a time to meet
Go up the reception desk of a company	Book a train ticket	Introduce yourself to someone	Order a rare antique book
Quit your job	Apologise for being late for a meeting	Contact a potential customer for the first time	Change the time of a meeting
Contact someone famous	Tell smoker(s) they can't smoke in the building anymore	Tell someone how to get to this room from the station	Find out how to do something with your new mobile
Stop someone reading a mail you accidentally sent	Ask someone to proofread something for you	Warn a colleague that your boss is angry with them	Try to get a job in a company which your friend set up
Tell a friend their boy/girlfriend is cheating on them	Ask for permission to use your boss's car	Chase up a package that was due last week	Get an untrue story deleted from a newspaper website
Try to get a longer summer holiday this year	Tell a colleague a client didn't like their presentation	Suggest tourist spots for a foreign guest	Decide on the menu for a staff party
Ask for a lift (ride) early tomorrow morning	Tell colleague(s) they do something people in your country don't like		