

Communicative worksheet

Thinking off the top of my head

Task type

Presenting proposals and discussing ideas

Preparation

You will need one copy of the worksheet for each pair of students.

1 Lead in by brainstorming planning problems that can be found in towns. For example, traffic congestion and traffic jams, parking, where to locate shops, pedestrian crossings, etc.

2 Hand out the worksheets and the student cards. Ask students in pairs to describe the problems shown in the pictures. Elicit problems from the class.

3 Form groups of four by joining pairs in the class. In groups, students brainstorm solutions. Tell them to think of as many solutions as they can, regardless of how off-the-wall or unusual they might be.

Extra activity

Revise the language of conceding a point (*Life Advanced Student's Book* page 76), or prompt students to remember and use the language when proposing solutions.

4 Divide the class into new groups of four. Make sure you split up students from each of the previous groups. Individuals in each group should propose their favourite solutions to each problem in the pictures. The group must decide on the best solution in each case.

5 Ask different groups to present their solutions. Decide, as a class, which solutions are the best or most original.