



Zoom in!

Focus: Vocabulary development

Level: A1 upwards

Key Language: Vocabulary of any topic



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# Aims

To broaden vocabulary

To develop dictionary skills

# Procedure

1. Organise groups of learners around a piece of paper.
  2. Have them write a topic in the middle of the paper.
  3. All learners in the group have to write as many words as possible connected to that topic within 2 minutes.
  4. Have learners organise all the words into groups to create a bubble diagram.
  5. Have them choose one bubble on the diagram to 'zoom in' on.
  6. Focussing only on that bubble, they have 2 minutes to add vocabulary.
  7. Students group the new words in the bubble creating smaller bubbles inside it. They then chose another bubble to zoom in on.
  8. Use the bubbles generated to create a wall display on the focus topic and act as a reminder of useful vocabulary for this learning unit.
- **Tip 1:** At any point during this activity, learners can use a dictionary to find vocabulary they don't know in English.
  - **Tip 2:** This can be used as pre-writing or discussion preparation. It is also useful for schema building, pre-reading or listening.
  - **Tip 3:** This can be extended by having learners produce sample sentences for vocabulary they have found.

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