

Objective: To practice the sounds /t/ and /d/ while making appointments on the phone.

Level: high intermediate

Time: 50 minutes

Material: Word list for telephone, conversation cards

Introduction: 20

Welcome Ss to class and tell them that today we will be working on pronouncing “t” and “d” sounds while making appointments on the phone. Show the students where the “t” and “d” sounds are made. Have students arrange chairs in a circle and sit down. Tell students that we will be playing telephone with “t” and “d” words. One Ss in the circle will get given a secret word and has to whisper it in the persons year beside them, that person then whispers it in the person ear beside them and this goes on until the message makes it all the way around the circle. The last person says the secret message out loud, it may be different than what we started with. Tell them that the goal of the game is to carefully pronounce the word and listen closely.

Main Activity: 20 minutes

Each student will be given a conversation card. Each card has a different situation in which they would have to call an office to make an appointment. Ss will move around the classroom and randomly pair up with another Ss. Ss will stand back to back and take turns being the caller and the call taker and have conversations based on the information on their conversation cards. After they complete the conversations, they will switch cards and find a new partner. Ss will do this for approximately 20 minutes. Before Ss start model the activity, so that they know what it will look like. The goal is to successfully make an appointment and properly pronounce the “t” and “d” sounds.

Closing: 10 minutes

After the main activity have Ss sit down and go over a few of the harder words in a repeat after me fashion. Say goodbye to Ss and dismiss class.

Word List for Telephone

- Dentist
- Doctor
- Timely
- Tuesday
- Thursday
- Top
- Driving
- Taxi
- Dog
- Day
- Door

Conversation Cards

<p>Name: Daniel What: Doctors Appointment When: Thursday at 3:30 Why: Broken Toe</p>	<p>Name: Taylor What: Dentist appointment When: Saturday Why: Teeth cleaning</p>
<p>Name: David What: Dog grooming appointment When: Tuesday at 2:00 Why: Dog's fur is too long</p>	<p>Name: Tyrell What: Calling for a taxi When: In two hours Why: Going to the Theatre</p>
<p>Name: Danny What: Doctors appointment When: Tuesday Why: Tongue hurts</p>	<p>Name: Tina What: Driving Lesson When: Tuesday at 5:30 Why: Wants to pass driving test</p>
<p>Name: Dylan What: Haircut When: Saturday Why: Hair is too long</p>	<p>Name: Crystal What: Calling for a taxi When: Tonight Why: Going out for dinner downtown</p>
<p>Name: Wyatt What: Dentist appointment When: Thursday at 2:00 Why: Has a bad toothache and needs the dentist to look at it.</p>	<p>Name: What: Dinner reservation When: Thursday at 5:30 Why: Twenty-fifth wedding anniversary</p>