

Mutual Dictation

Level

Intermediateadvanced

Time

15-20 minutes depending on the length of the texts

Outline

Intensive reading

Focus

Reading Listening Writing Speaking

Material

2 lists of sentences

Thinking skills

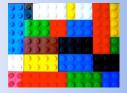
Procedure

Before class

1. Prepare a worksheet A and a worksheet B with the two parts of a text (see sample from Science).

In class

- 2. Pair off your learners and give learner A part A and learner B part B of the text.
- 3. Tell them that they each have part of a text and that they must complete their own text without looking at each other's text.
- 4. They are invited to do this by dictating to each other their parts of the text. They must take turns in reading and writing, i.e. learner A dictates his first sentence to learner B, which learner B writes down. Learner A reads the sentence twice, learner B listens and memorises, and THEN writes the sentence down.
- 5. Then Learner A reads his/her first sentence twice, learner B listens and memorises, and THEN writes the sentence down.
- 6. They repeat steps 4-5 for all the sentences.
- 7. At the end the learners should check the correctness of their transcripts.



TIP

This task is suitable for **revision** only. The completed text serves as a basis for revision/study of subject matter dealt with. It should contain the key ideas of a topic.

Keep the sentences short and snappy.