

# 11

## COLLOCATION

### Aim

To revise and extend knowledge of verb / noun collocations

### Language

Verb / noun collocations, e.g. *switch on the computer / light / TV, watch TV, tell a story*

### Skills

Speaking

### Lesson link

Use after Classbook Lesson 11

### Materials

1 copy of *Verb cards*, enlarged and cut up, per group

1 copy of *Game board* per group

1 counter per student

1 dice per group

### Pre-activity (10 minutes)

- Write up the following verbs on the board:  

turn on	plug in	write	listen to	watch	read	see	say
hear	look at	speak	tell	have	miss	do	make
get on	get into	go	play	ride	go	on	have
- Ask the students to think of nouns to go with each verb. Do the first as an example, e.g. *turn on the TV / light / computer / radio*. Students can work alone or in pairs.
- When the students have finished, conduct a plenary feedback, writing the answers on the board.

### Procedure (30 minutes)

- Divide the class into groups of four.
- Give each group a set of the verb cards. Ask one student to shuffle the cards and deal them out.
- Give out a game board and dice to each group. Give each student a counter.
- Explain the game. Player 1 throws the dice and moves the corresponding number of squares, landing on a square with a noun. Player 1 looks at the cards in their hand and if they have a verb which collocates with the word on their square, they can say a sentence with their verb and noun and get rid of their card. If they have no collocation or are unable to produce a sentence, they must keep all their cards. If they land on a square marked with a '?' they can choose any noun, on the board or otherwise, to collocate with one of their verbs. Play passes to the next student. The winner is the student who gets rid of all their cards first or who reaches *Finish* first.

### Extension activities

- The students deal out the verb cards and use the verbs to write / tell a story.
- The students create an exercise for each other, either a gap-fill or matching exercise, to revise the verbs and nouns.

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## Verb cards

turn on	plug in	close	turn up	write	turn off	turn down
unplug	listen to	listen to	watch	switch off	read	read
read	see	say	hear	look at	look at	hear
speak	talk	tell	tell	tell	tell	miss
miss	make	make	make	do	do	do
lose	get out of	get into	get on	get off	run	run
have	have	have	have	go	go	go
go on	go on	play	play	ride	ride	play
go on	go on	play	play	ride	ride	play

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## Game board

<b>START</b>	A business	swimming	 the window	the washing up	a story	a letter
a diet	a magazine	 a horse	 coffee	 the door	a letter	to a friend
voices	 the car	dinner	English	a file	 a shower	a joke
	goodbye	TV	my homework	a film	a lesson	
 football	the truth	a kilometre	hello	the radio	a mistake	 the bus
a film	 a cake	a book	a picture	the computer		on a trip
skiing	music	 a bath	noises	 a bike	the train	the sky
a lie	the TV	a sport		the car	basketball	exercises
dinner	the bus	the car	 my keys	shopping	on a trip	<b>FINISH</b>