

LESSON PLAN

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THE CARNIVAL OF VENICE



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ELEMENTARY

Stages	Procedure	Time
Objectives	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. To practice <ol style="list-style-type: none"> a. scanning skills b. guessing the meaning in context 	
Warmer	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Write the word 'Carnival' and ask students what it means. 2. Show a video https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=2JvuaiSMARM 	5 mins
Pre-reading	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Tell students about 'Venice'. (City in Italy, built on many small islands, islands connected by lots of canals and bridges, travel in canals by gondolas). Students can view pictures on page 20. 2. Tell students to look at pages 18 and 19 to view the pictures. 3. Ask students what they see. (elaborate costumes, masks of different colours, shapes and sizes) 	10 mins
While-Reading	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Ask students to read pages 18 - 21. 2. While reading ask students to <u>underline</u> these words: a) costumes b) gems c) merchant d) wigs e) festival 	10 mins
Post-reading	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Briefly discuss meanings of underlined words. 2. Assign Task 1. 3. Check answers to Task 1. 4. Distribute Task 2. Then elicit answers. 5. In pairs, ask students to do Task 2 6. Elicit answers for Task 2. 7. Ask students to continue with Task 3 8. Elicit answers for Task 3. 	10 mins
Wrap	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Teacher does a concept check of the lesson. Ask if they have attended any carnival. Where? 	5 mins

TASK 1

Fill in the blanks with the appropriate vocabulary from the box.

costumes	gems	merchants	wigs	festival	ancient
1. She wore colourful and attractive _____ during the dance shows.					
2. She studied both _____ and modern history at the University.					
3. That actor wears _____ because he is bald and has no hair.					
4. The dance _____ is always held during the year-end holidays.					
5. The _____ traveled to the city to sell their goods.					
6. The Queen has many precious _____ in her crown.					

TASK 2

Answer True (T) or False (F) to the statements below

Statements	T/F
1. A carnival is a public event held indoors.	
2. The masks are usually of one design and colour.	
3. Venice is popular for its churches, palaces and paintings.	
4. John Shakespeare wrote a play called, "The Merchant of Venice".	
5. The dates of the Carnival change every year based on the date of Easter.	

TASK 3

Answer the questions.

1. Why is the carnival of Venice so special?

2. How are the masks made these days?

3. When is the carnival of Venice celebrated and who attends it?

4. Why do the dates of carnival change every year?

5. Who can take part in a free competition and what do they win?

ANSWERS

Task 1

1. costumes
2. ancient
3. wigs
4. festival
5. merchants
6. gems

Task 2

1. F 2. F 3. T 4. F 5. T

Task 3

1. The Carnival special because of the elaborate costumes and colourful masks that are worn by everyone at the party.
2. They are made of plastic, painted by hand and decorated with feathers and gems.
3. Every year in February, thousands of people from all over the world visit Venice to attend the Carnival.
4. It is because it is based on the date of Easter which is the oldest celebration in the Christian calendar.
5. Any visitors to the Carnival can take part in it and win the best costume and the best mask.