#### My Verbling Courses

# Activity Based English

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## Lesson o: *Course Walkthrough*



Preparation time **10 minutes** Talk time **40 minutes** Feedback **10 minutes** 

#### Phrases

- Review a list of 4-8 vocabulary words, idioms, phrasal verbs, expressions, and/or useful phrases.
- Prepare by asking questions and clarifying your understanding of each phrase before proceeding. Feel free to ask for a few examples.

## Activities

- Complete 4-8 activities. Each activity will provide a prompt for you to talk about, and the challenge will be to use the matching phrase as much as possible during this time.
- 2. Talk for 5-10 minutes per activity: You will be challenged to talk for a full five to ten minutes per activity, depending on the length of the class. If necessary, your teacher will provide additional questions to keep you talking.
- Modify. Don't worry if a particular activity does not exactly apply to your situation. Your teacher will help you modify it to suit your needs.

### Feedback

Each class will wrap up with a review of the phrases. Your teacher may summarize your responses in a way that native speakers would say what you've tried to convey. The class will end with a discussion of useful tips and pointers to take away from this lesson and into your day-to-day life. Your teacher may give you simple homework assignments, such as "pick two expressions and try to use them every day for a week". Let's get started!

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## Lesson 1: *Workplace Idioms*



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### **Phrasal Verbs**

- back down: surrender or concede
- bring up: bring attention to
- crack down: take severe actions against
- draw up: prepare and write out
- pull out: withdraw from an undertaking
- pull off: carry out despite difficulties

## Activities

- Don't back down! Talk about a situation where there was pressure to give up or change your position, but you refused to give up. Why didn't you back down?
- 2. **Bring it up!** What would you bring up in the first meeting with a client, and what would you avoid bringing up?
- It's time to crack down. Has your company ever cracked down on unacceptable behavior? Explain why.
- 4. Let's draw it up, Explain the steps you would take in the process of drawing up a contract or agreement. What advice or precautions can you give?
- 5. **Pull out while you still can.** At what point, when discussing a business deal, would you pull out? Has this happened before? Explain the situation.
- Can we pull it off? Talk about a project or deal that was challenging but that you managed to pull off despite it all.

## Feedback

Let's review, evaluate, and discuss some useful tips and takeaways.