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Christmas Mimes

%	You are singing a Christmas carol.	You are writing Christmas cards.
o \	You are eating sweets (candy).	You are wrapping presents.
	You are craving a roast turkey.	You are pulling a cracker.
	You are watching fireworks.	You are putting on a paper hat.
	You are decorating a Christmas tree.	You are putting up Christmas decorations.
	You are throwing snowballs.	You are giving someone a gift.
	You are opening a present.	You are opening a Christmas card.
	You are hanging up a stocking.	You are giving a toast.
	You are eating Christmas dinner.	You are shopping for presents.
	You are making a snowman.	You are sledging.

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This entertaining miming game can be used to teach or review common Christmas activities and the present continuous tense.

Before class, make one copy of the worksheet and cut as indicated.

Procedure

Begin by asking the students to watch you and guess what you are doing. Mime a simple Christmas activity and encourage the students to call out their answers. Make sure they answer using the present continuous tense.

Next, separate the students into two teams. Teams take it in turns to play.

The aim is for the students in the teams to guess the correct Christmas activity using the present continuous tense.

If your students are unfamiliar with Christmas activities, you may wish to introduce the activities and write them on the board. Then, the students can guess by matching the mime with an activity.

Pick a team to go first and ask them to choose a student to do the first mime. That student comes to the front of the class and you give him/her one of the mime cards.

That student then asks the class, "What Christmas activity am I doing?"

Then, the student does the mime on the card.

When a member of either team thinks they know, they respond, "You are verb+ing..."

Example: You are making a snowman.

The students must guess the exact words on the mime card to win.

The first team to get the mime correct wins a point. The team with the highest number of points at the end wins.

If you think your students may be embarrassed to mime in front of the whole class, let them do the activity in groups.