

Technology in the Classroom

In groups of 4 – 5
Introduce yourselves

- Name
- Place of work
- Hobby

Talk for 2 minutes

Why use technology?

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- Easy to show pictures, videos and music
- Makes points easier to understand
- Makes class fun!
- Context to learning English

Discussion:

- What technology do you use?
- If none, what do you want to use in the future?

Things to know before:

- How can I access technology at my school?
- What technology is available at my school?

Powerpoint presentations:

- The easiest way to show your ideas
- Can incorporate text, pictures, videos and music into one document

Powerpoint presentations:

- More pictures, less words
- Contrasting text and background colours
- Simple text font
- Animations?

Example 1:

Christmas Markets in the UK

A Christmas Market is a street market associated with the celebration of Christmas during the four weeks of Advent. These markets originated in Germany, but are now being held in many other countries. The history of Christmas markets goes back to the Late Middle Ages in the German-speaking part of Europe, and in many parts of the former Holy Roman Empire that includes many eastern regions of France. The Christmas markets of Bautzen were first held in 1384. Dresden's Striezelmarkt was first held in 1434. Frankfurt was first mentioned in 1393, Munich in 1310 and Augsburg in 1498. In Austria, Vienna's "December market" can be considered a forerunner of Christmas markets and dates back to 1298. Traditionally held in the town square, the market has food, drink and seasonal items from open-air stalls accompanied by traditional singing and dancing.



Example 2:

Christmas Markets in the UK

- Started in Germany
- Now popular in many European countries
- Sell food and drinks and gifts
- Christmas themed items



Other materials:

- Is the material the right level for your students?
- Check it works before you use it!

Other technology:

- Record your students
- Download YouTube videos



- Record yourself to use in class when you're not there
- Connect the projector to your phone



Discussion:

- What works well in your situation?
- What problems have you had?
- How did you solve the problem?

Thank you for listening!
Do you have any
questions?