

English

Quick activity

PASSWORD

The idea to this ESL group activity comes from the game show 'password', recently revived by Jimmy Fallon.

The rules are easy.

- Two teams play against each other.
- They try to convey a mystery word, the password, by using just single- word clues. No mimics or gestures are allowed.
- The password will be given to one player on each team.
- Game play alternates between the two teams. The player who was given the password will give his team a single-word clue. They now need to guess the password. The other team will also be able to hear the clue.
- If the team fails to guess the password, or if an illegal clue was given, it is over to the other team to guess.
- If the clue given prompts the team to guess the password correctly, that team will be given points based on the number of guesses being used. i.e. 5 points, if the password was correctly identified with the first clue, 4 points after the second clue etc.

Example:

Taken from following password episode between team Betty White and team Jimmy Fallon (<https://youtu.be/oscUrisESjQ>)

Round 1	password:	TATOO
clues		guesses
Betty White	Jimmy Fallon	
needle		thread
	plane	helicopter
picture		movie
	ink	pet
arm		leg
	mother	TATTOO

Round 2

password:

STOCKING

clues		guesses
Betty White's guest	Jimmy Fallon's guest	
stuffer		hurt
	sock	puppet
Christmas		STOCKING

Now over to you. Here is a list of possible 'passwords' to choose from. You can also be creative and use your own. Any noun will work 😊

- WOODPECKER
- VACUUM
- PODCAST
- BONE
- SHRIMP
- MADONNA
- ROBOT
- POND
- SURFBOARD