

Men and women are from different planets

ACTIVITY

Groupwork: speaking

AIM

To read statements and discuss them.

GRAMMAR AND FUNCTIONS

Agreeing and disagreeing with opinions

VOCABULARY

General

PREPARATION

Make one copy of the worksheet for each student in the class.

TIME

30 to 40 minutes

PROCEDURE

NOTE: This activity is not designed to reinforce gender stereotypes but to act as a springboard for discussion.

- 1 Give one copy of the worksheet to each student in the class.
 - 2 Ask them to read the statements and to put a number in the column marked 'Your opinion' according to the scale at the top of the worksheet.
 - 3 When they have done this, read out the first statement and ask if anybody agrees strongly or disagrees strongly. Ask them to explain why.
 - 4 Now ask the students to work in groups of three to five. They should take it in turns to read out a statement from the worksheet and discuss it with the other members of the group, giving reasons for their opinions.
 - 5 When the students have finished discussing the statements, ask the class which statements caused most disagreement.
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