

EF2 UNIT 7

To tell the truth.

Preparation: none

Procedure: Students work in groups of three. They decide on an interesting experience that has happened to one of them. This needs to be a true story. That person tells the story to the others in as much detail as possible. They all decide on the same first sentence to introduce the story. (Example: When I was 16, I went swimming in (place). I saw a shark.).

They join one or two other groups. Each person pretends the experience really happened to them. They tell the story as if it did. Then people from the other groups ask follow-up questions. They try to figure out who it really happened to. Of course, the people who are only pretending will have to make up answers.

In the end, everyone decides who is telling the truth. That person stands up. Then the other group(s) has/have a turn.

If possible, have everyone tell their story two or three times (to different groups of partners). Their language level gets better. So does the made-up information. □