

Aliens Save the Planet

Teaching Materials

Exercise 1

Vocabulary

Here are some of the important words and phrases from the show. Can you put them with the French translations.

invisible	nettoyer
air	charbon
spray	utiliser
petrol	sale
to clean	invisible
to use	pulverisateur
dirty	essence
coal	air

Exercise 2

To use

Make some sentences from the box below

Cowboys	use	pens	to look at small things.
Scientists	use	their tongues	to chase Indians.
Anteaters	use	airplanes	to go on holiday.
Students	use	microscopes	to catch ants.
Tourists	use	horses	to write their homework.

Complete the sentences

We use _____ to clean our hair.

We use _____ to boil water.

We use _____ to take photographs.

We use _____ to go into town.

Exercise 4

Compliments

In the story Agent Tree tells Joolibifa ... '**You have beautiful eyes.**'

This is called a compliment (the phrase is 'to pay somebody a compliment.'). Learning how to make real compliments is a very good skill to learn, but it can be very difficult for some people.

Make some compliments using these phrases

You have very nice

You have beautiful

I really like your

I really like the way you ...

Find some other students and pay them compliments. Remember that it is very easy to think of silly compliments or things that are not true. The best compliments are the ones that you really think are true.

Exercise 5

Interview with an alien.

In the story the agents catch one of the aliens and ask her questions. You will also have a chance to ask her questions during the show. You can practice this in class. In small groups think of questions that you would like to ask the alien. Then two or three students (or the teacher) sit at the front of the class and answer everybody's questions. Of course you don't know the answers, just think of something.

Exercise 6

Gibberish translation game

In reality, the actors in the show speak 'gibberish'. This is a special word for when we speak nonsense, but we pretend that we are speaking a real language. We make sounds that seem to be real words but they aren't and we talk normally and listen to the other person as if it were a real conversation. It can be good fun. The secret of speaking good gibberish is not to say too much and really listen to the other person.

In groups of four 2 students speak gibberish, stopping after each sentence and the other 2 act as their translators. The translators have to imagine what the gibberish speakers are trying to say and translate it into English. The gibberish speakers must never correct the translators, they just smile at them and carry on with the conversation.