



Access English Centre
Immigrant Centre Manitoba
Advanced Level: Work-out Activity
AEC Talk Show
60 minutes



Objective/Goal:

This activity can be done before the main activity, it is a good exercise for participants to practise free speech. It provides an opportunity to practice forming questions and gives the participants meaningful interaction.

Materials:

Participants need:

- Attachment #1: Question Cards (Audience)
- Optional: Paper and pencils/pens

Facilitator needs:

- whiteboard & whiteboard markers
- Optional: Attachment #2: Talk Show Personalities Name Cards

Procedure:

Procedure: Introduction-

Before you begin:

1. **Write** the name of the Talk Show Ex. "AEC Advice Show" on the whiteboard.
2. **Assign** 5 guest hosts/hostesses (the "experts") around a table. The table should face the rest of students. The rest of the participants are the audience members.
3. **Assign** a personality card to each person on the talk show panel. **Give** them a few minutes to read their card.
Hostess #1- loud, obnoxious, and negative person- The person always says negative answers.
Host #2- quiet and reflective people- The person speaks slowly and quietly. He always agrees with the majority.
Hostess #3- positive and funny person- (ex. Ellen DeGeneres)
Host #4- arrogant and smart person (the person speaks like he/she knows everything)
Hostess #5- confident and well-informed person (ex. Oprah Winfrey)
4. Optional: The facilitator can **demonstrate** the various "personalities", if needed.
3. 5. **Give** each audience member a question card. The remaining students are the audience.



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6. **Choose** one of the hosts to be the lead host/hostess. He/she will introduce the talk show panel. He/she will warm –up the audience by saying, “Welcome to The AEC Talk Show. I’m *Nadia* and this is ...”(introduce the other hosts/hostesses to the panel. Today we will be taking questions from the audience members.”
7. Each audience member **stands-up and asks** a question from the question card to the talk show host panel.
Ex. “I have a hard time sleeping, what do you recommend?”
8. The hosts/hostesses **take turns answering** questions according to their Personality.
9. Once everyone has **asked** a question, you can switch the host panel.

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Extension Activity: The facilitator can extend the activity by asking the participants come-up with their own question cards or their own personalities.
(ex. Students could just use their own names and come-up with their own personalities.)



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Attachment #1: Talk Show Activity-“AEC Advice Show” Question Cards

1. I have a hard time falling asleep, what should I do?	2. My boyfriend or girlfriend spends too much of my money, what should I do?	3. What is more important money or good health?	4. Is it better to buy a car or to lease one?	5. Is it better to rent an apartment or to buy a house?
6. Is it easier to find a job after you have finished university?	7. Should everybody get married?	8. When is the right age to get married?	9. If I have money, should I invest my money in GIC's?	10. Is it better to get married after the age of 30 years old?
11. I am always, late, do you have any tips for me?	12. I am on the internet all the time, what should I do?	13. I can't make any friends, what should I do?	14. Which cell phone company is a better carrier?	15. Which internet provider has the fastest service?
16. Where is the best place to buy quality furniture?	17. Where is the best place to buy a plasma TV?	18. My brother has an awful girlfriend, I can't "stand her", and what should I do?	19. I have a relative who is very snoopy, she always asks me personal questions, and what should I say to her?	20. I have neighbour who goes around and digs through everyone's garbage cans, what should I do?
21. A neighbour's cat likes to dig up my garden, what should I do?	22. Does having a Facebook account help in making friends?	23. I have been unlucky in love, what do you suggest?	24. What kind of car should I buy?	25. What is the best way to budget?



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Attachment #2: Talk Show Activity-“AEC Advice Show” Personality Cards

<p>Hostess: <i>Jackie</i> Hostess #1-</p> <p>loud, obnoxious, negative person - The person always says negative answers.</p>	<p>Host: <i>Miguel</i> Host #2-</p> <p>quiet, reflective person- The person speaks slowly and quietly. He always agrees with the majority.</p>	<p>Hostess: <i>Nadia</i> Hostess #3-</p> <p>positive, funny person- (ex. Ellen DeGeneres)</p>	<p>Host: <i>Semere</i> Host #4-</p> <p>arrogant, smart person (who knows everything)</p>	<p>Hostess: <i>Lalise</i> Hostess #5-</p> <p>confident, well-informed, “cool head” (ex. Oprah Winfrey)</p>
<p>Host: <i>Malcolm</i></p> <p>Very happy, cheery person with a great smile</p>	<p>Hostess: <i>Yan Ying</i></p> <p>Pleasant, relaxed person</p>	<p>Host: <i>Cam</i></p> <p>Serious, a person who frowns a lot</p>	<p>Hostess: <i>Rahma</i></p> <p>Calm and quiet person</p>	<p>Host: <i>Michael</i></p> <p>Very chatty who fidgets a lot</p>
<p>Hostess: <i>Lidia</i></p> <p>Charming, likes to interrupt</p>	<p>Host: <i>Nathan</i></p> <p>Very demanding person, wants to be heard</p>	<p>Hostess: <i>Mandy</i></p> <p>Very chatty, talks very loudly</p>	<p>Host: <i>Dawit</i></p> <p>Very smart, likes to say, “Ummm”-a lot</p>	<p>Hostess: <i>Angela</i></p> <p>Nervous person, bites her nails</p>