Language Functions Bingo – GESE Grade 7

Grade: GESE Grade 7 (CEFR B2.1)

Time: 20 minutes

Exam Task Focus:

◗ To revise language functions required by this exam

◗ To take the opportunity provided to recognise the language functions and language items of the Grade

Resources:

◗ Language functions bingo cards – GESE Grade 7 (see below)

◗ Phrase bank – GESE Grade 7 (see below)

Description of the activity

Before class, copy and cut out the bingo cards. (Note: You'll need two cards for every three students.)

1. Ask students to revise the language functions required for the Grade.

2. Put students into groups of three and give each group two bingo cards, making sure they have different ones. Give them time to review the language functions by brainstorming as many questions and/or comments using the language functions on the card. You may want to elicit some examples from the class, eg You read out the sentence, 'How is this gadget used?'. Students call out the language function 'Describing past actions over a period of time' and then they draw a line through it on their bingo card.

3. Tell students they are going to play bingo with the language functions of their Grade.

4. In turn, one student calls out the different phrases in random order from the relevant phrase bank.

5. The other two students compete against each other. If the phrase called out matches any one function on their card, they draw a line through it on their bingo card and make a note of the phrase.

6. When a student has drawn a line through all four functions on their card, they shout 'Bingo!'

7. Check understanding by doing a trial run of the game first.

8. When a student shouts 'Bingo!', they must read out the four sentences and say the language function used in each one. Check they are all phrases the student calling out has ticked. If the language functions are correct, that student is the winner. If they make a mistake the game continues.

9. Redistribute the bingo cards so that each group has different ones. Get students to play the game again so that everyone has a chance to play bingo and call out the phrases.

Language Functions Bingo GESE Grade 7 – Bingo cards

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Making suggestions		Eliciting further information
	Expressing (dis)agreement	

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	Describing past habits	
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Language Functions Bingo GESE Grade 7 – Phrase bank

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My mother used to bake a cake every Sunday for dessert.	You could phone the doctor if you aren't sure.	Not everyone has the same opinion. Do you agree with the experts?	If I were you, I'd talk to your friend about the problem.	On the one hand, it could work, but on the other hand, we may have problems if…
We should encourage people to travel by bicycle.	The pros are that we don't have to do extra work, the cons are….	I know exactly what you mean!	My grandfather told me that he didn't use to have a TV He used to listen to the radio instead.	I'd recommend visiting *Big Ben* while you're in London. It is a really famous place!
I see what you mean, but…	My parents tell me that school was really different when they were children.	I may need to change my plans.	That may not be the best thing to do because…	That's true. However…
If I had a lot of money, I might travel the world or buy a Ferrari!	In your opinion, what is the decrease in population due to?	Why do you think that is the case?	I'm not sure, but I think there may be a big storm this weekend.	We'd better do something about climate change before it's too late!