

World of Warcraft Lesson Plan
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Concept: Improving social interactions

Grade: 8

Age: 13-14

Goals:

- Practice meeting new people
- Improve communication skills
- Increase self-confidence

Objectives:

- Given an avatar in WoW, learners will speak with 10 other players within one hour.
- Given an avatar in WoW, learners will add 5 friends within one hour.

Required Materials:

- Computer with reliable Internet connection
- WoW
- Avatar
- Realm
- Digital journal OR Paper and pencil, if learner chooses to keep log and reflection on paper

Step-by-Step Procedures:

- Get World of Warcraft account
- Download World of Warcraft
- Create avatar in World of Warcraft
- Choose realm
- Explore realm and talk to other avatars
- Talk to other avatars by: use mouse or direction keys on keyboard to go up to avatars; Left click on avatars to talk to them
- Make friends by searching for their name in the search bar, click on their name, and select 'add friend'.
- Write down the names of the avatars you talk to and friend in your journal. Also include your thoughts and feelings on the activity.

Closure:

After one hour, students log out of WoW and come back for debriefing and class discussion.

Assessment:

1. Log of interactions including names of players/avatars and brief summary of interaction
2. One page reflection on experiences speaking with new people virtually and how it compares to meeting people in real life.