

Teachers Notes on Module: Cultural Awareness

The aim of this module is to encourage discussion on cultural diversity within the classroom and to raise awareness of social etiquette and what is expected in an Irish environment.

Suggested order of worksheets:

1. Cultural Diversities:

To promote discussion about different cultures and traditions and to establish how learners' cultural values differ according to the country of their birth.

2. Cultural Difference

Learners read about the culture of a remote part of India. Comprehension, discussion and vocabulary study.

3. Polite Words and Phrases

To promote awareness of courtesy and good manners, learners learn words and phrases commonly used in Ireland, followed by discussion on politeness and manners in an Irish context.

4. Driving in Ireland

To enable learners to focus on their level of awareness of traffic regulations in Ireland and to increase vocabulary.

5. Motor Insurance

To help learners to understand and learn vocabulary in relation to motor insurance and to increase awareness of Irish laws in this regard.

6. Computer Culture

To examine how computers have become part of our culture and everyday life.

7. Dublin City

Learners read a brief history of the capital city and then use the new vocabulary to write an account of the capital of their country.

8 Irish Politics

Vocabulary study on Irish politics and Irish words and phrases which they will need to understand.

9 House for Rent

Learners read two advertisements for rented accommodation. Language and vocabulary study.

10. Letter to a Landlord

Learners study the vocabulary, language and tone of a tenant's letter to a landlord and then write their own on a given topic.

Language and Vocabulary

- Vocabulary to describe customs, traditions
- Vocabulary for polite words and expressions
- Vocabulary and language to read and understand traffic regulations and motor insurance
- Vocabulary peculiar to Irish politics
- Vocabulary used to describe cities
- Vocabulary and language used in accommodation advertisements