

## Sentence structure



Category	Choices
Title	Sentence structure - Zinsbouw - Sinsbou
Objective	With this activity pupils learn about the word order in multiple languages and compare these to each other.
Target group	First grades of secondary education
Subject	Language courses: English, Frisian, Dutch, French, German
Duration	30 minutes
Link to curriculum	Linguistics
Languages	Frisian, Dutch, English, French, German
Link to FREPA	Language awareness Knowledge of language differences (vocabulary and structure)
Skills	Listening, reading, speaking and writing
Theoretical support	Language awareness and language comparison
Activity description	<p><b>Preparation by the teacher</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Either create a Kahoot (or use another program) or execute this task in another way. Pupils should choose the word with the right sentence structure. Level of difficulty of the task depends on the level of the pupils.</li> <li>• Select the check cards with the type of words with the aimed language taking in mind. Aspects can be added or left out, depending on the focus of the pupils, if the task is seen as either difficult or easy. Print these cards.</li> <li>• Either choose or adjust sentences that need to be translated (preferably related to the subject the pupils work on). Divide the sentences in smaller part, so they fit with their function in sentences (subject, verb and so on).</li> <li>• Chairs and tables can be put aside, except for 1 or 2 that can be placed in the middle of the classroom.</li> </ul> <p><b>Step 1: Warm-up</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Pupils will do Kahoot (7-10 sentences). This will be done without knowing and getting explained what sentence structure is.</li> </ul> <p><b>Step 2:</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• The cards the sentences will be made of need to be spread on the table in the middle of the classroom. Hand over the check cards with the type of words to even pupils. They need to check everything that might be important for their type of word.</li> <li>• Give every pupil a sentence that needs to be translated from Dutch to English/ German/French/Frisian.</li> <li>• The pupils that have a check card need to choose a word they need to form in the aimed language. They need to hold up these new words in what they believe is the right sentence order. The rest of the class needs to be able to see this.</li> <li>• One pupil has the responsibility to write down the correct translation.</li> </ul>

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Materials	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Control cards with the type of words and phrases in <b>English</b> or <b>German</b> or <b>French</b></li><li>• Example of a Kahoot</li></ul>

## Example of Kahoot

**K! Question 1**

Question (required)  
Which word order is correct?

Time limit: 20 sec  
Award points: YES

Media  
Add image (with 'g' icon), Upload image, Add Video  
or drag & drop image

Answer 1 (required): Peter will not go tomorrow to school. ❌

Answer 2 (required): Peter will not go to school tomorrow. ✅

Answer 3: Peter will tomorrow not to school go. ❌

Answer 4: Peter will tomorrow not go to school. ❌