



Top 10 Role Play Scenarios for Your Speaking Class

Telephone Conversation

Telephone conversations are good because, unlike ordinary face to face conversations, **they require people to listen solely to the words**. Normally, you would have the students sit back-to-back and pretend they actually are on the phone. Appropriate telephone manner is then taught during this, such as always saying “*hello*” when answering the phone (this is particularly important when it comes to business, always answer with “hello”).

Going to the Shop

For this role play, you can teach the basic vocabulary. If students are planning on going abroad soon, then this will allow them to practice dealing with the general public. This role play will also make great use of certain grammatical structures, for example, the difference between: “*I would like those*” and “*I would like that*”. Even if your class is sufficiently advanced, this can be helpful for fine tuning specific grammatical errors.

Doctor’s Appointment

A doctor’s appointment will get the students used to particular **medical terminology**. As you can see, each role play serves a specific purpose when practicing speaking. It allows the student to become more familiar with certain terms.



Immigration Office

Another important one, especially if the students are planning on emigrating any time soon. They will need to know certain vocabulary, and doing a role play of this nature is definitely going to boost their confidence.

Looking for Accommodation

Finding accommodation in another country is tricky. Using this type of role play, one student can act as the *estate agent* and the other can be the *prospective buyer* or *tenant*. It might also be a good time to let them jot down some very common terms used when it comes to dealing with getting accommodation such as *land lord*, *lease*, etc.

Booking a Hotel Room

For student going on holiday, this will also be helpful. Again, it can be tied in with telephone manner. Try practicing this both as face to face and on the telephone!

Job Interview

This is going to be of particular interest to **business students**. Job interviews will generally require a lot of business phraseology in order for the interviewee to appear professional to the employer. Even when not learning a language, practicing a job interview can relieve a lot of the stress that comes along with looking for work.

Casual Talk



Integration is another important point when it comes to moving to a new country. Helping the students learn common phrases and even **slang** in English is going to be just as vital as teaching them “proper” words. Whilst they will have all the knowledge, getting used to various *slang words* is something which needs to be worked on. A fun class would be to show the differences in accents in English speaking nations from around the world!

Talking About a Holiday

Using a specific topic or theme, depending on what vocabulary one wants to teach on a specific day, can be very fruitful. The students can pretend to be a *travel agent* and a *customer*, or simply two friends.

Debate

Whilst not necessarily a role play, a **debate** is always a good way to begin a class. Students will get used to the different modes of argument and sometimes the debates themselves can become quite heated. It will, overall, make for a very interesting class.
