

IRELAND

TOPIC: Irish geography, culture and traditions

LEVEL: intermediate / upper-intermediate

Time: 45 minutes

Objectives:

- to learn or revise vocabulary connected with geography and culture
- to learn about Ireland, its culture and traditions
- to develop reading, speaking and listening comprehension skills

Language functions:

- to exchange ideas about Ireland
- to understand a written text

CLIL: Geography, IT Technology

MATERIALS:

For this lesson, you will need:

- Computer with Internet access

STAGE	AIMS	PROCEDURE	MATERIALS/ RESOURCES	TIME
WARM UP	-to make sts interested in the topic -to develop speaking skills	PAIR WORK – sts spend a few minutes working in pairs. They have to write down anything they associate with Ireland. Then they are asked to mingle with people from other groups share their ideas.		5 min
MAIN PART OF THE LESSON	-to develop and revise geographical terminology	Online quiz Sts work in pairs on an online quiz (http://travel.nationalgeographic.com/travel/countries/ireland-quiz/). All the questions are associated with Ireland. They work in pairs in order to consult their answers.	http://travel.nationalgeographic.com/travel/countries/ireland-quiz/	10 min

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	<p>- to develop reading skills</p> <p>-to check reading comprehension</p>	<p>READING COMPREHENSION</p> <p>Sts go to the following website: http://www.saberingles.com.ar/reading/saint-patrick's-day.html.</p> <p>They read a text about St Patrick Day in Ireland. After that they answer some questions.</p>	<p>http://www.saberingles.com.ar/reading/saint-patrick's-day.html</p>	10 min
	<p>-to revise geographical terminology</p> <p>- to learn how to look for specific information</p>	<p>WEBQUEST on Ireland</p> <p>Sts are given worksheet 1 with two exercises. In the first one they have to look at the map of Ireland and fill in the gaps in the sentences. The second exercise gives them a number of websites which they have to visit in order to answer various questions dealing with some aspects of life in Ireland.</p>	Worksheet 1	15 min
WRAP - UP/ CLOSURE	<p>-to develop listening skills</p>	<p>LISTENING</p> <p>Sts listen to a popular song called "Molly Malone" (also known as "Cockles and Mussels" or "In Dublin's Fair City"), a popular song, set in Dublin, Ireland, which has become the unofficial anthem of Dublin City. While listening they fill in each blank with the missing word.</p> <p>https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=vdxLxnhGnvo</p>	<p>Worksheet 2</p> <p>https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=vdxLxnhGnvo</p>	5 min