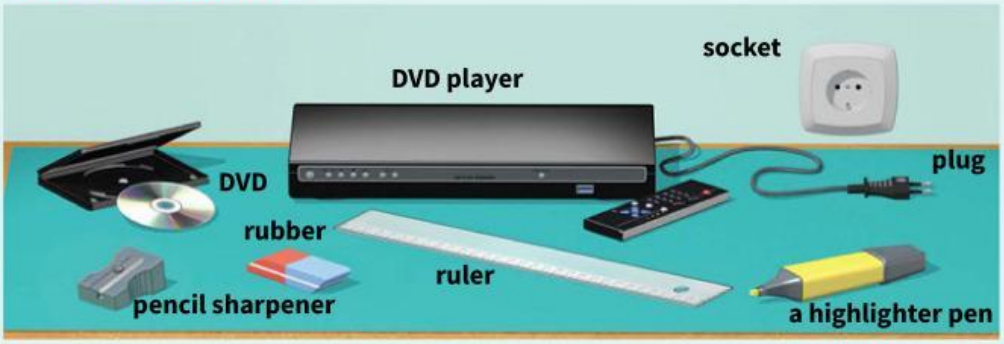
# 31 Classroom language

## A Equipment and uses




You use a rubber to **rub something out**, e.g. writing.
You use a ruler to **measure** something.
You use a pencil sharpener to **sharpen** pencils.
You use a highlighter pen to **highlight** a word.

## B Classroom activities

Teachers or students do these things in the classroom.

**look up** a word in a dictionary [find the meaning of a word]
**borrow** someone's dictionary or rubber [use it and then return it]
**plug in** the DVD player [put the **plug** in the electric **socket**]
**turn up** the volume on the DVD player [increase the volume; make it louder; *opp* **turn** (**it**) **down**]
**correct** students' English [give the correct English if students make mistakes]

### Language help

If **you lend someone something**, you give it to them for a period of time; if **you borrow something from someone**, you get it from them.
*Could **you lend me** your pen?* means the same as *Could **I borrow** your pen?*

Teachers may ask students to do these things in the classroom.

I'd like you to work with a **partner** [someone else, i. e. another student].
Henrique, could you **swap places** with Lorena? [change seats / sit in each other's seats]
Kim, could you **share** your book with Petra? [use it together at the same time]
**Repeat** this sentence after me. [say it again]

## C Questions about vocabulary

Q: **What does** *tiny* **mean**?
A: It means 'very small'.

Q: **How** do you **pronounce** *weight*?
A: It's pronounced /weɪt/, like *wait*.

Q: How do you **spell** *bicycle?*
A: B-I-C-Y-C-L-E.

Q: How do you **use** the word ***wow***?
A: We use it to show that we think something is fantastic or surprising, e.g. ***Wow,*** look at that car.

Q: Could you **explain the difference between** *lend* **and** *give?*
A: If you lend something to someone, they have to give it back. If you give something to them, they can keep it.

### Language help

| verb | noun |
|---|---|
| mean | **meaning** |
| pronounce | **pronunciation** |
| repeat | **repetition** |

| verb | noun |
|---|---|
| spell | **spelling** |
| explain | **explanation** |
| use | **use** |



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# Exercises

**31.1** **Match the words on the left with the words on the right.**

| | | | |
|---|---|---|---|
| 1 | explain | g | a places |
| 2 | look up | | b a mistake |
| 3 | sharpen | | c a word |
| 4 | swap | | d with a partner |
| 5 | plug in | | e a dictionary |
| 6 | work | | f the DVD player |
| 7 | borrow | | g the meaning |
| 8 | correct | | h a pencil |

**31.2** **Answer the questions.**

1 What do you put in a DVD player? *a DVD*
2 What do you use a dictionary for? .....
3 What do you put in a socket? .....
4 What do you use a rubber for? .....
5 Why do you share a book? .....
6 What do you use a highlighter pen for? .....
7 What do you use a pencil sharpener for? .....
8 What do you use a ruler for? .....

**31.3** **Here are some answers about *swap*. Write the questions.**

1 A: *What does 'swap' mean?*
B: It means to change something for something else.
2 A: .....
B: Like shop or stop.
3 A: .....
B: S-W-A-P.
4 A: .....
B: You could say: *I can't see the board from here. Could you **swap** places with me?*

**31.4** **Read the sentences on the left, then write a suitable request on the right.**

1 You want to look up a word. Could I *borrow your dictionary?*
2 You can't hear the DVD player. Could you .....
3 You need to borrow a dictionary. Could you .....
4 You didn't hear what the teacher said. Could you .....
5 You want to know the difference between *lend* and *borrow*. Could you .....
6 You need to use someone's ruler. Could I .....
7 You want to sit in someone else's seat. Could we .....

**31.5** Over to you

**Think about your last lesson (in English or any other subject). Did you do any of these things:**

use a highlighter pen? share a book with anyone? use a rubber?
look up any words? borrow anything? lend someone a pencil?
swap places with anyone? use a ruler?



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