

Opinions

Title: Mastering Arabic 2

Unit number: 4

Topic: Sport and leisure

Aim: To talk about your favourite sport

Materials:

• None.

Pair work is an effective way of getting all the students in a class talking. In this activity, expressing your opinion is just as important as guessing the sport.

Step 1

- ✓ Complete pages 56–59 of *Mastering Arabic 2* and the related exercises. This will give the students models for their opinions.
- ✓ Explain that they are going to guess the favourite sport of their partner from 3–4 opinions they express.

Step 2

✓ Give some example opinions. For example:

أمارس الرياضة المفضّلة عندي لأنها مسلّية. أحبّ هذه الرياضة لأنّها جماعيّة والكرة كبيرة. في رأيي، هذه الرياضة سريعة ومثيرة.

Ask the students to guess some sports that fit the description. For example:

> هل الرياضة هي كرة القدم؟ هل الرياضة هي كرة السلّة؟

Step 3

- ✓ Divide the students into pairs. One gives the opinions. The other guesses the sport.
- Move around the pairs listening and making suggestions if necessary.
- ✓ Ask the students to switch roles when the first sport has been guessed.

Step 4

- ✓ Higher-ability students can report back to the class and/or write about what their partner favourite sports is.
- Students write a description of their or their partner's favourite sport for homework.

