

A1+/A2

45 min

Giving and receiving compliments



Skills:

Can handle very short social exchanges.

Adults

Group

1 Read the text below with a partner. Then, discuss what Anna could say to Lucy and share your ideas with the class.

Lucy went to the hair shop. She got a new haircut. She likes it a lot. Her hair is shorter now. It looks nice and feels soft. Lucy goes home. Her sister Anna sees her hair and thinks it looks very good. Anna wants to compliment Lucy's new haircut, and say something nice about it.

What can Anna say to Lucy?

2 Work in pairs to answer the questions. Then, share your partner's answers with the class."

What do you like to compliment your friends about?

How does it feel when someone gives you a compliment?

What kind of compliments do you hear often?

3 Unscramble the words to make sentences that we can use to give compliments.

1. glasses / are / cool / Your

2. your / bag / I / like

3. very / You / are / friendly

4. kids / so / smart / Your / are

5. artist / You / are / great / a

6. did / on / report / a / good / job / that / You

7. talk / was / Your / good / very

8. new / your / haircut / I / like

9. very / well / cook / You

10. is / beautiful / Your / house

11. Your / garden / pretty / is

12. That / good / looks / on / dress / you

4 People give compliments about different things. Match each type of compliment with the sentences from the previous task.

Appearance	Personality or skills	Work	Family/House

5 Match the compliment with the best way to respond.

<p>1 You did a great job, Tom!</p>	<p>a You're so sweet, thank you, your home is beautiful too</p>
<p>2 You are kind, David!</p>	<p>b Oh, thank you very much, I worked really hard on that project</p>
<p>3 You have a beautiful home, Lily</p>	<p>c Thanks, I got them last week</p>
<p>4 Your glasses are cool, Sarah</p>	<p>d Thank you for saying that, I try to help when I can</p>

6 In pairs, create small dialogues for each situation. Practice giving and receiving compliments.

1. Your classmate has a cool haircut
2. Your classmate said something smart
3. Your classmate is a great friend
4. Your classmate has something beautiful in their house
5. Your classmate always says funny things
6. Your classmate is wearing something pretty

Correct answers

1 Made in the “Create a Text” tool.

2 Made in the “Discussion Questions” tool.

3 Made in the “Sentences with Target Vocabulary” + “Scramble” tools.

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| 1. Your glasses are cool | 6. Your talk was very good |
| 2. I like your bag | 7. I like your new haircut |
| 3. You are very friendly | 8. You cook very well |
| 4. Your kids are so smart | 9. Your house is beautiful |
| 5. You are a great artist | 10. Your garden is pretty |
| 6. You did a good job on that report | 11. That dress looks good on you |

4 Correct answers:

1. Appearance: 1, 2, 8, 12
2. Personality and skills: 3, 4, 9
3. Work: 5, 6, 7
4. Family: 4, 10, 11

5 Made in the “Communicative Situations” + “Matching Halves” tools.

6 Made in the “Create a Text” tool.