

Before and after (Vocabulary)

Description: Students write the next or previous word in a series, then check with a partner who has the answer.

Use with or after: *English Network 1 (New Edition)*, Unit 2, Step 3.

Skill: Vocabulary

Focus: Days of the week, months of the year, seasons and numbers.

Time: 10 minutes

Preparation:

- Print out the work sheet (second page of this file).
- Make one copy for every two students in your class.
- Cut on the horizontal dotted line to make two narrow worksheets for groups A and B.

Procedure:

- Divide the class into two groups, A and B. Distribute the corresponding work sheets.
- Explain that group A should write the **next** word for each item, and group B should write the word that comes **before**. If you need an example, you can write

November → December

on the board. Group A would have a blank for *December*, Group B for *November*.

- Students may work together with someone from their own group, but everyone should write, and they should use the **English** alphabet to help each other with the spelling. You should circulate and monitor this, making firm but friendly corrections if necessary.
- When everyone has filled in all the blanks, they should stand up, find a partner from the other group and compare their answers. Group A has the words that group B was supposed to write, and visa-versa.



Group A — Write the **next** word:

- a) fourteen → _____
- b) Friday → _____
- c) March → _____
- d) spring → _____
- e) eleven → _____
- f) Monday → _____
- g) June → _____
- h) autumn → _____
- i) thirty-nine → _____
- j) Wednesday → _____
- k) January → _____
- l) seventeen → _____

- *b, f* and *j* are **days**
of the _____ .
- *c, g* and *k* are **months**
of the _____ .
- *d* and *h* are **seasons**.
- *a, e, i* and *l* are _____ .



Group B — Write the word **before**:

- a) _____ → fifteen
- b) _____ → Saturday
- c) _____ → April
- d) _____ → summer
- e) _____ → twelve
- f) _____ → Tuesday
- g) _____ → July
- h) _____ → winter
- i) _____ → forty
- j) _____ → Thursday
- k) _____ → February
- l) _____ → eighteen

- *b, f* and *j* are _____
of the **week**.
- *c, g* and *k* are _____
of the **year**.
- *d* and *h* are _____ .
- *a, e, i* and *l* are **numbers**.

