



Paparazzi (Grammar and speaking)

- Description:** A card game to practice asking questions
- Use with or after:** *English Network 3 (New Edition)*, Unit 2, Step 2.
- Skill:** Grammar and speaking
- Focus:** Asking for the subject or object of a sentence.
- Time:** 20 minutes
- Preparation:**
- Print out all four pages of this file.
 - Make a copy of the second page (instructions and sentence list) for each student.
 - Make copies of the third and fourth pages and cut along the dotted lines to make decks of twenty cards each. Ideally, you should use different-coloured stiff paper for each deck. You will need one deck of cards for every four to six students.

- Procedure:**
- Divide the class into groups of four, five or six students. Each group should sit around a table.
 - Give each student a copy of the instruction sheet, and go through the instructions with them. Make sure they all know the first names of everybody in their group.
 - Give each group a deck of twenty cards. Someone in the group should mix the cards and put them in a stack face down on the table.
 - The person who is closest to the blackboard should start by taking the top card from the stack, saying somebody's name and reading out the task.
 - If the person who was called on can say a correct question, he or she gets the card. If not, the card is put back into the stack, at the bottom.
 - The person who was called on should then take the next card and call on someone else.
 - All the students are responsible for seeing that everybody in the group gets an equal chance to ask questions. In other words, everybody should be called on once before anybody is called on a second time.
 - At the end, when no more cards are left in the stack, the person with the most cards is the winner.

Most of the students will probably know that *paparazzi* is an Italian plural noun meaning photographers who stalk famous people to take candid photos of them. The singular form is *paparazzo*. (Later in the coursebook, in Unit 6, Step 1, there is a dialogue about *paparazzi* – Donna interviews a press photographer.)

The Italian actress Giovanna Mezzogiorno was born in Rome in 1974. She and Raulo Bova (born 1971 in Rome) starred in the film *Facing Windows (La Finestra di fronte)* in 2003.

Asking questions

Example: **My sister likes Italian films.**

To ask for the subject of the sentence: **Who likes Italian films?**

To ask for the object of the sentence: **What does your sister like?**

- One person should mix the twenty cards and put them in a stack face down on the table.
- Make sure you know the first names of everybody in your group.
- The person who is closest to the blackboard should start.
- When it is your turn, take the top card, say somebody's name and read out the task. Do not read out the questions.
- If the other person says a correct question, give him or her the card. If not, put the card back into the bottom of the stack.
- The person you asked should then take the next card and call on someone else.
- Make sure everybody in the group gets an equal chance to ask questions.
- At the end, the person with the most cards is the winner.

Here are the ten sentences for you to ask questions about:

- 1 My sister went to Rome on holiday.
- 2 In Rome my sister met some famous film stars.
- 3 My sister asked Giovanna Mezzogiorno for an autograph.
- 4 Rauol Bova kissed my sister on the cheek.
- 5 In Rome my sister saw lots of paparazzi with their cameras.
- 6 The paparazzi waited all day for the actresses to arrive.
- 7 One of the paparazzi started flirting with my sister.
- 8 The paparazzi took photos of the actresses.
- 9 A middle-aged actress hit one of the paparazzi with her umbrella.
- 10 The police arrested several paparazzi.

<p>_____, please ask for the <u>subject</u> of the first sentence.</p> <p>The other person should say:</p> <p>Who went to Rome (on holiday)?</p>	<p>_____, please ask for the <u>object</u> of the first sentence.</p> <p>The other person should say:</p> <p>Where did your sister go (on holiday)? OR: Why did your sister go to Rome?</p>
<p>_____, please ask for the <u>subject</u> of the second sentence.</p> <p>The other person should say:</p> <p>Who met some famous film stars (in Rome)?</p>	<p>_____, please ask for the <u>object</u> of the second sentence.</p> <p>The other person should say:</p> <p>Who did your sister meet (in Rome)? OR: Which famous film stars did your sister meet (in Rome)? OR: How many famous film stars did your sister meet (in Rome)?</p>
<p>_____, please ask for the <u>subject</u> of the third sentence.</p> <p>The other person should say:</p> <p>Who asked Giovanna Mezzogiorno for an autograph?</p>	<p>_____, please ask for the <u>object</u> of the third sentence.</p> <p>The other person should say:</p> <p>Who did your sister ask for an autograph? OR: What did your sister ask Giovanna Mezzogiorno for?</p>
<p>_____, please ask for the <u>subject</u> of the fourth sentence.</p> <p>The other person should say:</p> <p>Who kissed your sister (on the cheek)?</p>	<p>_____, please ask for the <u>object</u> of the fourth sentence.</p> <p>The other person should say:</p> <p>Who did Rauol Bova kiss (on the cheek)? OR: Where did Rauol Bova kiss your sister?</p>
<p>_____, please ask for the <u>subject</u> of the fifth sentence.</p> <p>The other person should say:</p> <p>Who saw lots of paparazzi (in Rome) (with their cameras)?</p>	<p>_____, please ask for the <u>object</u> of the fifth sentence.</p> <p>The other person should say:</p> <p>Who did your sister see (in Rome)? OR: How many paparazzi did your sister see (in Rome)?</p>

<p>_____, please ask for the <u>subject</u> of the sixth sentence.</p> <p>The other person should say:</p> <p>Who waited all day (for the actresses to arrive)?</p>	<p>_____, please ask for the <u>object</u> of the sixth sentence.</p> <p>The other person should say:</p> <p>What did the paparazzi wait (all day) for? OR: How long did the paparazzi wait?</p>
<p>_____, please ask for the <u>subject</u> of the seventh sentence.</p> <p>The other person should say:</p> <p>Who started flirting with your sister?</p>	<p>_____, please ask for the <u>object</u> of the seventh sentence.</p> <p>The other person should say:</p> <p>Who did one of the paparazzi start flirting with? OR: What did one of the paparazzi start doing with your sister?</p>
<p>_____, please ask for the <u>subject</u> of the eighth sentence.</p> <p>The other person should say:</p> <p>Who took photos of the actresses?</p>	<p>_____, please ask for the <u>object</u> of the eighth sentence.</p> <p>The other person should say:</p> <p>Who did the paparazzi take photos of? OR: Which actresses did the paparazzi take photos of? OR: How many actresses did the paparazzi take photos of?</p>
<p>_____, please ask for the <u>subject</u> of the ninth sentence.</p> <p>The other person should say:</p> <p>Who hit one of the paparazzi (with her/an umbrella)?</p>	<p>_____, please ask for the <u>object</u> of the ninth sentence.</p> <p>The other person should say:</p> <p>Who did a middle-aged actress hit (with her umbrella)? OR: What did a middle-aged actress hit one of the paparazzi with?</p>
<p>_____, please ask for the <u>subject</u> of the tenth sentence.</p> <p>The other person should say:</p> <p>Who arrested several paparazzi?</p>	<p>_____, please ask for the <u>object</u> of the tenth sentence.</p> <p>The other person should say:</p> <p>Who did the police arrest? OR: How many paparazzi did the police arrest?</p>