

Lesson Handout: Predictions & Opinions (Who Will Win?)


1. Warm-up: Quick Votes & Predictions


Teacher's Note:


Start the class with high energy. Project this section or show the cards. Give students 2 minutes to think, then do a quick hands-up vote for each question before pairs discuss their reasons.

Cast Your Vote!

Look at the upcoming big matches and discuss with a partner. Use the Prediction Phrases below.

 The Big Final: Team A vs. Team B
Who will lift the trophy?

 The MVP (Most Valuable Player): Player X vs. Player Y
Who will perform better?

 The Underdog Match: The Champions vs. The New Team
Will there be a surprise result?

Useful Language for Predictions:

Expressing certainty: "I'm sure Team A will win because..."





Expressing probability: "I think Player X is going to perform better than..."

Expressing doubt: "I don't think The Champions will lose, but it will be close."

2. Grammar & Vocabulary Spotlight: Making Comparisons

Teacher's Note:

Review how we use comparative adjectives to justify opinions. Remind students of short vs. long adjectives.

Adjective	Comparative Form	Example in Context
Fast (Short)	 Faster than	"I think France is faster than England on the counter-attack."
Strong (Short)	 Stronger than	"Their defense is stronger than ours this season."
Good (Irregular)	 Better than	"In my opinion, Player X is better than Player Y."
Experienced (Long)	 More experienced than	"The Italian team is more experienced than the young US team."

3. Productive Deliverable: The Predictions Panel (Painel de Previsões)

Teacher's Note:

Divide the class into groups of 3 or 4. They act as "Sports Pundits" (comentaristas de TV). Each group must fill out their Predictions Panel and present their final justifications to the class..

Group Task: The Pundit's Board

Complete the panel below with your group's predictions for the tournament/season. You must justify every prediction using a comparative adjective!

Our Prediction (O palpite do grupo)	Our Justification (A justificativa)
1. The Champion will be: _____	<i>Because they are _____ than the other teams.</i>
2. The top scorer will be: _____	<i>Because he/she is _____ than...</i>
3. The most surprising team will be: _____	<i>Because their coach is _____ than...</i>
4. The final score of the big match will be: _____ vs _____	<i>Because Team A's attack is _____ than...</i>

Teacher's Guide & Speaking Assessment **(Dica para o Professor)**

Activity Flow:

Step 1 (Individual/Pairs): 5 mins for the voting and initial debate.

Step 2 (Grammar Check): 5 mins to highlight the "-er than" and "more... than" structures.

Step 3 (Group Work): 15 mins to negotiate the answers and write the justifications.

Presentation: Each group shares one prediction (e.g., "Group 1, who is your champion and why?").