

TOLENTINO TEACHING

CLASSROOM

WARM-UPS



# Hi, I'm Brian Tolentino.

A great warm-up or icebreaker activity engages students and gets them writing and interacting with classmates. These activities are key for fostering a positive classroom culture and starting a lesson on the right foot.

I created this ebook to share warm-ups and icebreakers that have worked well in my classroom. A teaching technique I use is called "choose your warm-up activity." I show students their options for a warm-up, and they vote on which task interests them. This changes the power dynamics in the classroom (at least a tad) by giving students a voice and choice over their lesson.



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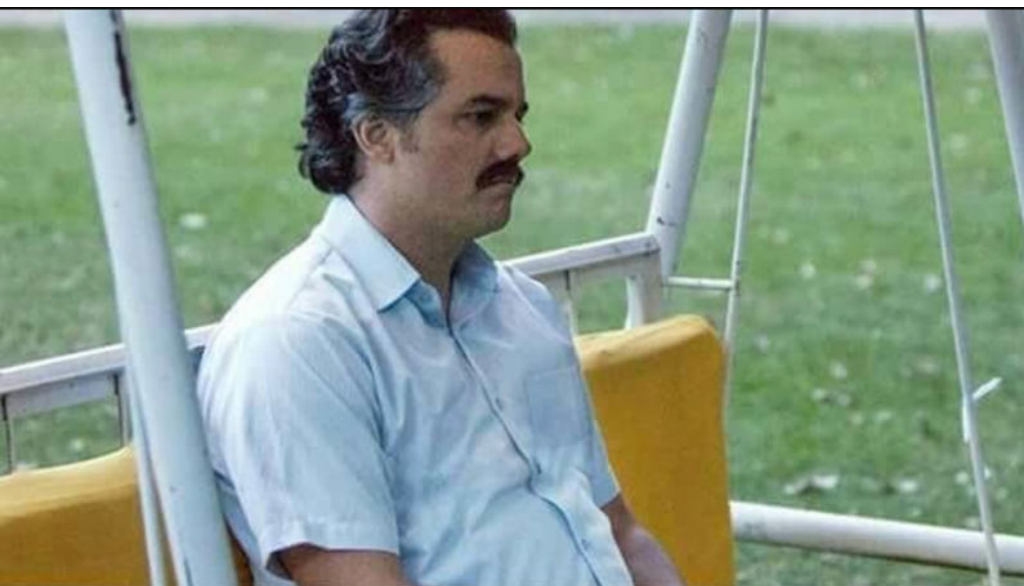
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# Create a Meme #2



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**NAME THREE  
THINGS YOU  
COULDN'T LIVE  
WITHOUT?**



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I FEEL AMAZING  
WHEN....



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# Would you rather...?





**WRITE SOMETHING  
INTERESTING YOU HAVE DONE.  
THE CLASS WILL GUESS...**

# **WHODUNIT?**



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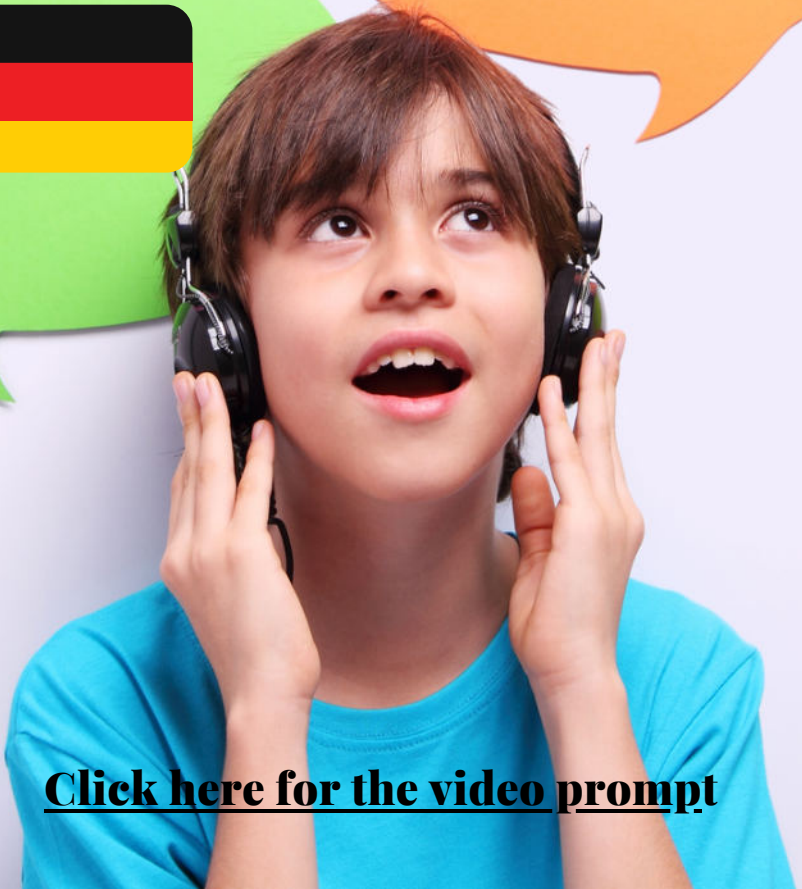
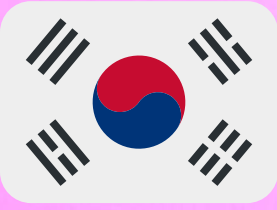
**WHAT  
ARE  
YOUR  
PET  
PEEVES?**

# TOP 10

- 1.
- 2.
- 3.
- 4.
- 5.
- 6.
- 7.
- 8.
- 9.
- 10.

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**If you could  
choose 3  
languages to  
learn...**



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**WHO SAID IT?  
TUPAC OR SHAKESPEARE**



Describe how you are  
feeling...



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**YOU CAN KEEP 3 THINGS  
FOR THE NEXT YEAR.**



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# 10 THINGS THAT MAKE YOU SMILE





**ONE RANDOM FACT ABOUT YOURSELF**



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A person in a blue jacket and dark pants is rappelling down a steep, dark rock face on the left side of the image. The person is suspended in the air, holding onto a rope that extends down the length of the image. The background features a vast, snow-covered mountain range under a warm, golden sunset sky. The overall scene conveys a sense of adventure and achievement.

**ONE THING YOU WANT TO  
DO THIS YEAR**

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A top-down view of a yellow desk. In the center is a spiral-bound notebook with a cream-colored cover and lined pages. The notebook is open to a page with the title 'BUCKET LIST' and four numbered items. To the top right is a portion of a white keyboard with keys for '< >', 'Z', 'X', and 'C'. To the top left is a silver paper clip. To the bottom right is a silver pen with a textured grip. To the bottom left is another silver paper clip. The background is a solid, bright yellow.

# BUCKET LIST

1. Go skydiving

2. Visit Spain

3. Run a marathon

4. \_\_\_\_\_

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# CREATE YOUR OWN QUOTE



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