Game 6: What Someone Does

What Someone Does provides an opportunity for students to use present tense verbs to indicate a habitual action. In introducing the game, the teachers can explain the use of the simple present (in contrast to the present progressive) to indicate habitual action, as well as the use of prepositional phrases of place as modifiers in expressions such as "a person in a movie theater." The meaning of expressions such as "when sick" should also be introduced as meaning "when someone is sick."

Instructions

- 1. Have students (the players) sit in groups of 3–4.
- 2. Determine who goes first and progress clockwise or counter-clockwise.
- 3. Each player rolls the dice in turn.
- 4. On their turns, the players move their game pieces along the path according to the number of spaces indicated by the dice.
- 5. When players land on a space, they should read the phrase aloud.
- 6. The players say three things someone does in this place or in this condition.
- 7. No player is allowed to repeat something that has already been said.
- 8. The game continues until one or all players reach the 'Finish' space.

"Player Talk" in What Someone Does

Cue	"Player Talk"
in a movie theater	Someone in a movie theater sits, watches a film, and eats popcorn. (Simple response)
at the beach	A person at the beach lies in the sun, and he tries to get a tan. Maybe he lies on a blanket and reads a book. And I would guess that he probably drinks something cold. (Complex response)

Game Squares

START: WE'RE PUMPED!

- 1. in a movie theater
- at the beach
- 3. on vacation
- 4. in a car
- 5. in New York
- 6. at a birthday party7. GO BACK TO START.
- 8. at a wedding
- 9. on a large ship 10. in a kitchen
- 11. GO BACK 3 SPACES.
- 12. in China
- 13. in a forest
- 14. on a tropical island
- 15. in English class
- 16. when watching a scary film
- 17. when hungry
- 18. when in love
- 19. when late for an appointment
- 20. when sick

FINISH



Variations for What Someone Does

Variation	Directions	"Player Talk"
Name 5 Things	Have students name five things instead of three. If this is the second time students have played the game, they should not repeat things that were said in the previous game. Other players should listen and not accept repeated responses.	In a movie theater, you meet friends, buy tickets, give the ticket to the ticket collector, buy a drink, and wait for the movie to start.
You Shouldn't	Have students say three things that would be bad to do in these places.	In a movie theater, you shouldn't talk much, wear a big hat, or put your feet on the seat in front of you.