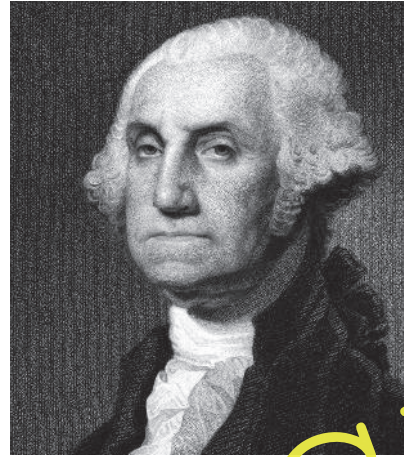


VIPs of World History: from Antiquity to Present. In einem Kartenspiel historische Persönlichkeiten wiederholen und vorstellen (Klasse 9/10)

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Exciting facts about historical VIPs will encourage discussion among your pupils.

VORANSICHT

Welcher englische König ließ zwei seiner Ehefrauen hinrichten? Wessen Porträt findet sich auf der amerikanischen Ein-Dollar-Note? Und wer ist laut Ranking des Forbes Magazine 2015 die mächtigste Frau der Welt?

In dieser spielerischen Unterrichtseinheit wiederholen Ihre Schüler wichtige historische Persönlichkeiten mithilfe von VIP-Spielkarten. Anschließend stellen sie den Mitschülern ihre VIPs z. B. in Drei-Schritt-Interviews oder im Kugellager vor.

Klassenstufe: 9/10

Dauer: 1 Stunde

Bereich: Personengeschichte aller Epochen

Kompetenzen:

- die geschichtliche Bedeutung von Personen erkennen
- historische Persönlichkeiten und Fakten vorstellen
- gezielt Informationen erfragen
- genau zuhören

M 1 The VIP class – task sheet

Questions and answers! Meet all the VIPs and be part of their world!

Tasks

1. Have a conversation with your partner.

- Say hello.
- Ask their name, birthday, position, nationality.
- Find out what makes your partner famous.
- Ask for more information.
- Give feedback.
- Answer your partner's questions.
- Use your "pocket language support for conversations"!



2. Give a one-minute presentation about your VIP.

- Use your "pocket language support for presentations"!



3. Who's your favourite VIP?

Present her or him.



4. Make your own VIP card.

Think about the birth date, where the person is from, what he or she is best known for ...



5. Write an interview with your VIP.

You can add your own questions.

- Use your "pocket language support for conversations"!



M 2 The VIP class – method sheet

Here are some ideas how to play with the VIP cards.

Milling around

- Move around the classroom until your teacher says "Stop".
- The classmate who is closest to you is your partner. Start a conversation.
- After the conversation, walk around again and find a new partner.



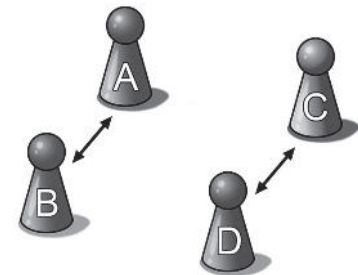
Talk and swap

- Move around as in "Milling around".
- After each conversation, exchange VIP cards with your partner.



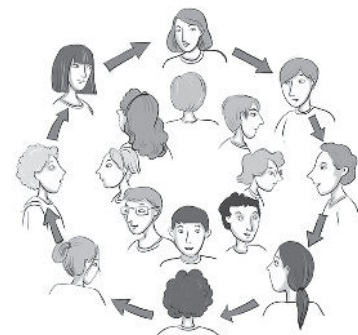
3-step interview

- Work in a group of four (ABCD). Split it into two pairs (AB, CD).
- A and B interview each other. So do C and D. Take notes.
- Get together in your group of four. Tell the group everything you remember about your partner's VIP.



Double circle

- Let's sit in two circles: an inner circle (As) and an outer circle (Bs).
- As introduce themselves to Bs. Bs take notes. Then Bs repeat to As what they have just heard.
- Now Bs move three people to the left. They have got new As now.
- This time, Bs tell As everything about themselves. As take notes and then repeat to Bs what they have just heard.



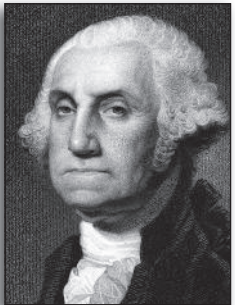
**Henry VIII**

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Birth date 28 June, 1491
From England
Position King of England
Best known for His six marriages

Nice to know

- ★ wrote a text against Luther's theses
- ★ divorced his first wife against the Pope's orders, which led to a break with the Roman Catholic Church
- ★ ever since his reign, the monarch of England is also the head of the Church of England.
- ★ ordered the execution of two of his wives

**George Washington**

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Birth date 22 February, 1732
From Virginia, British America
Position Politician, general
Best known for 1st President of the United States

Nice to know

- ★ served as a general during the American Revolutionary War (1775–1783)
- ★ one of the Founding Fathers of the USA
- ★ the capital city of the United States and one of the States are named after him.
- ★ his portrait is on the one-dollar bill.

**Louis XIV**

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Birth date 5 September, 1638
From France
Position King of France
Best known for Versailles Palace

Nice to know

- ★ was also called the "Sun King"
- ★ ordered the expansion of Versailles Palace to its present form
- ★ best-known representative of absolutism
- ★ left behind an almost bankrupt kingdom, which was an essential cause for the French Revolution

**Napoleon Bonaparte**

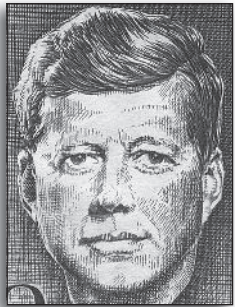
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Birth date 15 August, 1769
From France
Position General, emperor, dictator
Best known for Military skill

Nice to know

- ★ after a coup d'état in 1799, he instituted a new constitution in France in which he ruled as First Consul.
- ★ crowned himself Emperor of the French in 1804
- ★ he created the "Code Civil", a legal code which is largely still in use in France today.

coup d'état: Staatsstreich



John F. Kennedy

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Birth date 9 May, 1917
From USA
Position Politician
Best known for 35th President of the United States
Nice to know

- ★ with his "New Frontier" Program, he supported civil rights reforms and initiated social reforms.
- ★ the Cuban Missile Crisis was the most serious foreign affairs challenge during his presidency.
- ★ famous in Germany for the sentence "Ich bin ein Berliner."
- ★ was assassinated in 1963 in Dallas, Texas



Nelson Mandela

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Birth date 18 July, 1918
From South Africa
Position Politician
Best known for The struggle against Apartheid
Nice to know

- ★ in 1964 he was sentenced to life imprisonment on "Robben Island".
- ★ was released in 1990
- ★ won the Nobel Peace Prize in 1993
- ★ became the first black President of South Africa in 1994

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Margaret Thatcher

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Birth date 13 October, 1925
From England
Position Politician
Best known for First female Prime Minister of Great Britain
Nice to know

- ★ privatised state-owned enterprises and reduced public benefits
- ★ led Great Britain to war with Argentina in 1982 over the Falkland Islands
- ★ her nickname is "The Iron Lady".

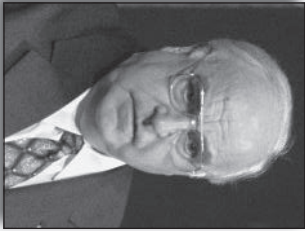



Martin Luther King

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Birth date 15 January, 1929
From USA
Position Pastor
Best known for His role in the Civil Rights Movement
Nice to know

- ★ preached the non-violent resistance for the equality of African Americans
- ★ organised the "March on Washington", at which he gave the "I have a dream" speech
- ★ won the Nobel Peace Prize in 1964
- ★ assassinated in 1968 in Memphis, Tennessee

<p style="text-align: center;">Pocket language support – Conversations –</p> <p>Asking</p> <p>Hello. Nice to meet you. What’s your name? When is your birthday? Where are you from? What do you do? What are you best known for? Can you spell your name, please?</p> <p>Answering</p> <p>My name is ... My birthday is on the ... of ... I work as .../I usually ... I’m best known for ...</p> <p>Giving feedback</p> <p>That’s interesting/exciting/cool/funny/ extraordinary/amazing/special. Oh, really? Wow! I think that’s great.</p>	<div style="text-align: right;">  <p>© UN Photo/Eskinder Debebe</p> </div> <p>Helmut Kohl</p> <table border="0"> <tr> <td>Birth date</td> <td>3 April, 1930</td> </tr> <tr> <td>From</td> <td>Germany</td> </tr> <tr> <td>Position</td> <td>Politician</td> </tr> <tr> <td>Best known for</td> <td>Chancellor of the Federal Republic of Germany</td> </tr> <tr> <td>Nice to know</td> <td> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ★ Chancellor from 1982–1998 ★ campaigned strongly for the unity of East and West Germany and for the foreign support of the unification ★ is called the “Chancellor of Unity” </td> </tr> </table>	Birth date	3 April, 1930	From	Germany	Position	Politician	Best known for	Chancellor of the Federal Republic of Germany	Nice to know	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ★ Chancellor from 1982–1998 ★ campaigned strongly for the unity of East and West Germany and for the foreign support of the unification ★ is called the “Chancellor of Unity”
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