## **Everyday Dialogues: Games Night [B2]**

Una veloce guida alla conversazione con frasi e vocaboli di uso quotidiano. Questo mese, un dialogo tra due amici che devono decidere a quale gioco di società giocare.



Oliver: I'm looking forward to games night! It will be nice to catch up with the gang. Sophie: Yes! But can we do something else? I always lose at poker and I'm broke. \*\*Oliver: \*\*Sure, what did you have in mind? \*\*Sophie: \*\*I don't know. What about an old-fashioned board game? \*\*Oliver: \*\*What, like Trivial Pursuit or Monopoly? \*\*Sophie: \*\*Exactly! Or something even more traditional, like chess or checkers. \*\*Oliver: \*\*Oh, I haven't played those for years. Do you think the others would be up for it? \*\*Sophie: \*\*For sure! But I'm not sure if everyone knows how to play. \*\*Oliver: \*\*Also, they're one-on-one. It might be best to stick to a game we can all play together. \*\*Sophie: \*\*Yes, that makes sense. \*\*Oliver: \*\*It doesn't need to be a board game, either. We could play charades! \*\*Sophie: \*\*Nooooo, that's so lame! \*\*Oliver: \*\*Okay, okay, I'll get the games out, then we can choose one on the night.

## **NOW LET'S REVIEW THE VOCABULARY!**

To **catch up with someone** means to meet someone to find out what is happening in their life. The **gang** is a colloquial term for a group of friends. To **have something in mind** means to think of something in particular. **Board games** are games with pieces that are moved around a board. **Checkers** is a two-player game where each player has twelve black or white pieces that are moved around the squares of a board. In the UK, it is known as 'draughts'. To be **up for something** means to be willing to do it. An activity that is **one-on-one** involves two people. When you continue to do something, you **stick to it**. Something that **makes sense** is logical and easy to understand. **Charades** is a **guessing** game played at parties, where **contestants** use gestures to describe things. In this colloquial context, **lame** means uninspiring and **dull**.

## **Glossary**

- looking forward to = non vedere l'ora di
- old-fashioned = vecchio stile
- board game = gioco da tavolo
- draughts = dama
- willing = desideroso, intenzionato
- involves = coinvolgere
- broke = senza soldi
- **Pursuit** = ricerca
- **chess** = scacchi
- **guessing** = indovinare
- contestants = partecipanti
- dull = noioso