

# Do-Now-Activities (DNA) for CLIL

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**Do-Now-Activities** are revision activities that students do right after coming into your classroom. This gives you time to perform admin duties, like taking attendance.

As with every new technique, you need to prepare your students in advance for using **DNA**. They need to know where you display the **DNA** of the day and what they need to do when they see it. You also need to decide how you check the students' answers. If you are consistent, the **DNA** will become a class routine.

For **DNA** to be effective, your students need to produce some written answer. They should be able to do it:

- **in silence**
- **on their own**
- **in 3 to 5 minutes**

Look at a sample structure of **DNA** below. Make sure the first tasks or questions refer to the last lesson theme, followed by themes from over three weeks ago. In the end, you can add a task that stretches students' thinking.

Do it <b>NOW</b> in <b>silence</b> . Write the answers in your notebook.	
1.	[Last lesson theme]
2.	[Last lesson theme]
3.	[Last lesson theme]
4.	[Theme from over three weeks ago]
5.	[Theme from over three weeks ago]
6.	[Stretching students' thinking]

In the **CLIL** context, you need to be aware that writing can be challenging. Thus, carefully plan your **DNA**. Below are some tasks that can be used as **DNA**, from the easiest to most challenging. You can use them when teaching **CLIL** lessons both face-to-face and online.



**Answers:** 1. lithosphere, crater, chamber; 2. 1. steam and ash, 2. side vent, 3. lithosphere, 4. crater, 5. lava, 6. vent, 7. magma chamber; 3. Structure: vent, crater, cone; Eruption: steam, ash, lava; Effects: lava flows, fallen trees, dust in the air; 4. 1. the lithosphere, 2. shield volcanoes and stratovolcanoes, 3. magma is inside the Earth, lava outside, 4. it has strata (layers) of lava and ash; **Stretcher:** most volcanoes are found on active plate edges.



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