

World trade

Level

Upper intermediate

Tasks

Checking the meaning of terms

Matching the titles of e-mails with the body of the e-mail

Identifying words and phrases from the e-mails

Discussing points arising from the e-mails

How to use the lesson

1 Ask students what they know about the World Trade Organisation. Ask students to look at the list of issues and to discuss their meanings in pairs. Be prepared to help if questions arise as some of the concepts are quite difficult to explain.

2 Ask students to skim the e-mails to the WTO and choose a title for each mail from the box in 1.

Answers

1 *agricultural subsidies*

2 *free trade policies*

3 *wealth redistribution*

4 *poverty gap*

3 Ask students to find words or phrases in the e-mails with the meanings given.

Answers

a *export earnings*

b *tariff*

c *outsourced*

d *counterparts*

4 Students discuss the questions in groups, then report their ideas to the class. Hold a class feedback session.

Related websites

Send your students to these websites, or just take a look yourself.

www.wto.org

www.actionaid.org