

## Battleships – Pronunciation Game

### Teacher's notes

This is a speaking and pronunciation activity.

It may be adapted to be a vocabulary exercise.

### **Procedure:**

Give each student a copy of the battleship map and divide them into pairs.

Students must secretly plot three X's in three different squares on their own map. These X's represent their "battleships", so they must be in a square where there is sea. The X's should not cover more than one box. Make sure their partners don't see where they plotted their "battleships", this will spoil the fun!

Once students have all plotted their "battleships" they must try to guess where on the map their partners "battleships" are by naming different coordinates. Students should form coordinates using the letters on the horizontal as the start of a word and use the tones on the vertical.

For example, the coordinates for the red X could be 边 biān.



If a student guesses one of their partner's coordinates correctly the "battleship" is destroyed. The first one to destroy all of their partner's "battleships" is the winner!

### **Alternative Vocabulary Version**

Change coordinates to numbers, phrases, radical or images. One example for hobbies is to change horizontal coordinates to pictures of sports; football, skating ect and on the vertical coordinate have English phrases for "I like" ect. Students must say a Chinese sentences as the coordinate e.g. 我喜欢踢自球。