Restaurant Menu

In most ESL/EFL text books you will find short dialogs of people ordering a meal. Let students read and practice these dialogs a few times using either role play or some other activity that lends itself to the use of dialogs.

After they have had a chance to practice the dialog, ask them what kind of menu they would have if they owned their own restaurant. After you are convinced that they have all give some thought to this question, tell them that they are, in fact, the proud owner of a new restaurant. They must now come up with a menu for their restaurant before they can actually open for business.

The students must write their own menu which includes entrees, appetizers, deserts, and drinks. Once they have finished their menu have them practice the dialog again using items from their own menu. This can be done as a role play in front of the class or as a simple dialog drill where the entire class is practicing at one time. I personally like the role play method.

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