## **UNIT 1: THE BASIC ECONOMIC PROBLEM**

## Lesson 3: Scarcity and opportunity cost

#### **AIMS**

To understand the basic economic problem

To learn the opportunity cost of each decision and to be aware that it always exist

To see and to give examples of opportunity cost

To understand why every society has to answer the basic economic questions about what, how and for whom to produce.

TEACHING OBJECTIVES What I want to teach	LEARNING OUTCOMES  What I want my learners to be able to do/know at the end of the lesson.
CONTENT - Concept of scarcity - Concept and examples of opportunity cost - The basic economic questions  COGNITION - Understand the concept of scarcity and think in its meaning in our life Think examples of opportunity cost Understand the basic economic questions.	CONTENT - Recognise and explain scarcity and the reasons why it always exist in every society Match different decisions with their opportunity cost - Understand and explain the opportunity cost of every decision.  COGNITION - Understand the concept of scarcity and its
COMMUNICATION - Learn new vocabulary - Work in groups	meaning Explain, match and apply the opportunity cost of different decisions.
CULTURE - Awareness of scarcity in all the societies Awareness of the fact that each decision has an opportunity cost.	COMMUNICATION - Understand, apply and recognise new vocabulary - Give examples and try to pronounce them correctly - Work in groups
	CULTURE - Be aware about scarcity in every society Understand why in each decision there is an opportunity cost and recognise it.

## **RESOURCES**

Computer with projector, **PowerPoint**, **students' book**, blackboard, chalk, eraser, pencil and rubber.

#### **ASSESSMENT**

The outcomes and participation of the students. One plus for each voluntarily.

# **ACTIVITIES**

Activity	Teacher activities	Students activities	Timing	Interaction	Language demands	Language and learning support
1	Showing the slides 14- 18th of the PowerPoint (about scarcity), speaking and asking	Watching the slides of the PowerPoint (at the projector and at their student's book), listening and giving short answers	10'	Plenary	Listening, writing, answering (short answers)	Visuals, repetitions, reading.
2	Helping individually	Filling gaps exercise. Voluntarily, write the answers on the blackboard	10'	Individually or in pairs	Reading, writing and vocabulary.	Student's book with the slides and the exercise
3	Showing slide 19 <sup>th</sup> ("opportunity cost") and the visual examples of the student's book	Listening, reading and answering questions.	5'	Plenary (each student reads aloud one good and its classifications)	Listening, vocabulary, reading aloud (pronunciation)	Slides, visuals, examples, student's book.
4	Helping individually, checking and correcting the answers of the students	Exercise of putting parts of sentences in order	15'	In pairs	Reading, reading aloud (everyone voluntarily)	Student's book, "heads and tails"
5	Helping individually, checking and correcting the answers of each student	Filling long gaps with their own examples	15'	Individually or in pairs	Vocabulary	Visuals
6	Explain the homework for next week and check that the students write them on their agendas.	Listen and write the homework in their agenda	2'	Plenary	Listening, writing	Student's book