

### 1. Are you an April Fool?

Here comes April Fool's Day – watch your back! We have decided to mark the occasion with a departure from our usual text format. Instead, we have gone for a light-hearted matching exercise – eight quotes about fools. There is one page to print. Click here to get your copy.

<http://www.insideout.net/warehouse/worksheets/April/IO040S-aprilfool.pdf>

<http://www.insideout.net/warehouse/worksheets/April/IO040S-aprilfool.rtf>

#### Level

Upper intermediate and above

#### How to use the lesson

1. Give each student in the class a copy of the worksheet. Ask them to look at the beginning of the quote on the left-hand side and then find its other half on the right-hand side. Ask your students to look for the words which connect the two halves.

2. Check answers in open class.

#### Answers

1. e 2. g 3. f 4. h 5. d 6. a 7. c 8. b

3. Ask students to work in pairs or small groups to discuss the questions.

4. Open class feedback. You may wish to mention the spoof TV programmes that are shown on April 1st as well as spoof articles in newspapers. Maybe you could look out for some and take them into class to show your students. Otherwise, have a look at the last website below for some old spoof articles.

### 2. Related websites

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

<http://www.wilstar.com/holidays/aprilfool.htm>

for a history of April Fool's Day, quotes and links

<http://www.computingcorner.com/holidays/aprilfool/aprilfool.htm>

a little tomfoolery and some more links

[http://www.discover.com/science\\_news/fool.html](http://www.discover.com/science_news/fool.html)

archive of April Fool spoofs in print – fabulous!