

Using the Alcohol Notes information sheet explain what alcohol is.

‘Do you know how strong alcoholic drinks are?’

Students are going to estimate the alcohol concentration in a range of drinks.

Write on the board:

ABV 4-5.5%
Low

ABV 6-15%
Middle

ABV 16-40%
High

AVB means ‘alcohol by volume’ i.e. the percentage of the total liquid that is actually alcohol.

In small groups, students should discuss what they think the ABV percentage of each of the different types of drinks named on a set of cards—given below for photocopying and mounting onto card.

Finally, use the Alcohol Notes information sheet to reveal the answers.

Discuss the findings. How accurately were they able to classify the drinks? Were there any surprises?

gin

rum

vodka

brandy

whisky

bacardi

Baileys

Tia Maria

Dooleys

Sheridan

sherry

bitter

lager

shandy

cider

Heineken

Carlsberg

Grolsch

WKD

VDK

Shots

Red
Square

White
Lightening

port

red wine

white
wine

rosé wine

Bacardi
Breezer

Smirnoff
Ice

Reef

Martini

Champagne

Budweiser

Fosters

John
Smith's