Objective

By the end of this lesson, the student will be able to greet others in Lao, introduce themselves, and use simple phrases in everyday conversations.

Materials and Prep

- Notebook and pencil for writing down phrases
- Flashcards for vocabulary words (you can make these with paper)
- A mirror for practicing pronunciation
- Optional: A timer for games

Before the lesson, familiarize yourself with some basic Lao greetings and phrases. You can also prepare a list of fun vocabulary words related to animals, food, and colors.

Activities

• Greeting Game:

Start by teaching the student how to say "Hello" (ສະບາຍດີ - sabaidee) and "Goodbye" (ລາຍບ່ອນ laai bon) in Lao. Use flashcards to practice. Then, have a fun greeting game where you pretend to meet different people and practice the greetings.

• Self-Introduction:

Teach the student how to introduce themselves with their name and age. For example, "My name is [name]" (ຊືຂອງຂໍ້ເວົ້າແມ່ນ [name]) and "I am [age] years old" (ຂໍ້ເວົ້າອາຍຸ [age] ປີ). Let them practice in front of a mirror to build confidence.

• Vocabulary Flashcards:

Create flashcards with pictures and Lao words for animals, food, and colors. Review these cards together, saying the words out loud. You can also play a matching game where the student matches the Lao word to the picture.

• Role-Playing:

Set up a role-playing scenario where the student pretends to order food at a restaurant or talk to a friend. Use simple phrases and encourage them to use what they have learned. This will help them practice speaking in a fun way!

Talking Points

- "In Lao, we say 'sabaidee' to greet someone. Can you say it with me?"
- "When you introduce yourself, you can say 'ຊື່ຂອງຂໍ້ເວົ້າແມ່ນ [your name]' which means 'My name is [your name].' Let's practice!"
- "Did you know that 'ລາຍບ່ອນ' means 'goodbye'? It's fun to say!"
- "Let's look at these flashcards! What animal is this? Can you say it in Lao?"
- "Role-playing helps us practice speaking! If you were at a restaurant, how would you order food in Lao?"
- "Learning a new language is like playing a game. The more you practice, the better you get!"
- "Remember, it's okay to make mistakes. That's how we learn!"
- "Lao is a beautiful language. Every word you learn is like a treasure!"