



Activity: Adjective-Noun Mime

Materials needed: Index cards cut into quarters, or slips of papers. On each slip, write one of the noun phrases below. Put them in a bag, hat, etc.



Description: In this activity, students mime noun phrases consisting of an adjective and a noun. Before starting the activity, write all the possible answers on the board. Then ask the first student to select a card at random. The student needs to mime the selected noun phrase while the rest of the class guesses. Note that the phrases consisting of people will often require the student to think about both the adjective and the noun. For example, how will a student's portrayal of an angry boss be different from a portrayal of an angry mother? Or how will they portray the difference between a sad athlete and a healthy athlete?

To increase language use, omit the article on the board but require students to use it in their guesses.

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| an old man | a happy boy |
| a rich woman | a serious teacher |
| a lazy student | a worried mother |
| a hungry policeman | a tired student |
| a famous actor | a healthy athlete |
| an angry boss | an angry mother |
| an intelligent author | a nervous driver |
| a dangerous driver | a poor man |
| a sad athlete | a busy teacher |
| a kind policeman | a tired author |
| a sour lemon | a wonderful smell |
| a ripe apple | a dirty face |
| a difficult math problem | a hot cup of coffee |
| a boring movie | an interesting book |
| a beautiful painting | a bright light |
| an old car | a new dress |
| a fresh salad | a delicious cake |
| a quiet cat | a noisy video game |