

Making Up Dandy Stories One Word at a Time

ACTIVITIES:

Making up Dandy stories on the spot one word at a time with a partner.

Rules:

They can only say one word each.

The word they choose must make sense in the context of the word that has gone before.

They can't contradict anything that has already been said or the story won't make sense.

This means that they can never guess beforehand where it's going to go, they find out as they go along.

What to do:

Tell a story that begins:

"Once upon a time there was a giant dog called Dandy. He was..."

In pairs take it in turn to say one word each of the story. It might go something like this:

"Once"

"upon"

"a"

"time"

"there"

"was"

"a"

"giant"

"dog"

"called"

"Dandy."

"He"

"was"

"walking"

"in"

"the"

"woods"

"he"

"saw"

"a"

.....and so on. Don't worry if it gets silly, just have fun trying to make it work.

Tip for players: Try not to second guess what your partner is going to say so that you're not caught out when they say something different!

Variation: This could be a whole class activity, but if so choose children at random so they cannot anticipate what they might say or second guess the sentence too early.

SUBJECTS: English: Speaking and Listening