

A PACK OF RESOURCES BY
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ELEMENTS OF NARRATIVE

Age guide: 4-7y - see below.

A set of files aimed at strengthening knowledge of the information covered by different question words.

- Listen and point: simple text with symbol support with pictures to choose from (which include deliberate 'distracters').
- 2 files containing a total of 10 games of similar design for small group use about people who help us. Questions coded by shapes related to the information they seek.
- 3 related files working on who, what and where... for 1-1 or small group work:
 - listen and tell me (shape-coded)
 - sort words and phrases by their function using the same shape-coding
 - build sentences following a set pattern - large font text.

The games about people who help us and the listen and point book require no reading by the child and questions vary in complexity - suitable for a mixed ability group 4-7y approx.

The first book of the next set can be done orally with nonreaders. The sentence building tasks have a fairly easy reading vocabulary - approx. 6-7y. Many children will be able to read the text but may not be aware of the word functions! Increasing awareness will assist general comprehension in spoken and written language work.

Filenames and descriptions are described more fully on page 2. Notes are included to indicate how each part of the Pack is designed to be used.

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Files are listed in the suggested order of use. However users may wish to pick out particular activities.

cr4-00 narrative-instructions

Outline and list of files.

cr4-01 questions-distractors

Simple text with symbols but child needs to focus on the question words carefully as there are deliberate distractors in the choice of response pictures.

cr4-02 question-games 1

5 People who help us: question games. Set 1. (Shape coded)

cr4-03 question-games 2

5 People who help us: question games. Set 2. (Shape coded)

cr4-04 listen for information

Child listens for information as adult reads. (Shape coded)

cr4-05 sort by function

Sort words and phrases by function. (Shape coded)

cr4-06 build sentences

Build sentences following an outline. More practice with thinking about which words tell us who/where/when etc.