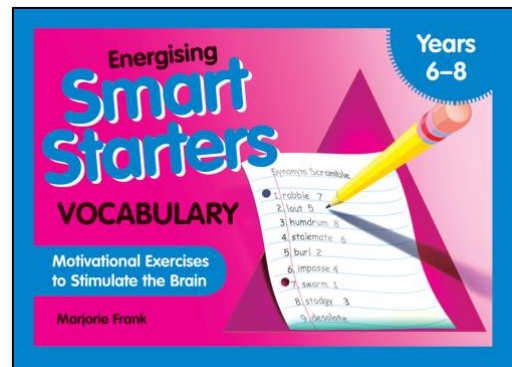


Energising Smart Starters – Vocabulary: Motivational Exercises to Stimulate the Brain

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Summary

Smart Starter activities change “extra” moments in a classroom into teachable moments. They are designed to take short amounts of time. However, Smart Starters are NOT short on substance. The Smart Starters in this book are packed full of important skills to practise and polish or to reinforce and extend students’ vocabularies.

Kick-Off a New Unit

The starters are grouped by general topics and skill areas. One or more of them might help to ease students into a new area of study. For instance, start off a unit on learning new words with *Invitation To A Brouhaha* or *Words with Attitude*.

Spark a Longer Lesson

Any one of these short activities can be expanded. A starter may inspire your students to develop questions or examples along the same lines – expanding the warm-up into a full-blown vocabulary lesson.

Review a Concept

Dust off those rusty skills with a Smart Starter. For instance: Have students been away from the study of word structure for a while? Refresh and deepen what they know about word parts with *The Heart of a Word* or *Pass It On To Add On*.

Charge-Up Thinking Skills & Ignite Creativity

Smart Starters are not only for English lessons. Use them anytime to stimulate minds. Doing a Smart Starter will sharpen thinking processes and challenge brains. In addition, Smart Starters work well as starting points for students to create other similar questions and problems.

Other Resources

- *Energising Smart Starters – Pre-Algebra: Motivational Exercises to Stimulate the Brain* (INA2601)
- *Energising Smart Starters – Humanities and Social Sciences: Motivational Exercises to Stimulate the Brain* (INA2571)
- *Energising Smart Starters – Science: Motivational Exercises to Stimulate the Brain* (INA2625)
- *Energising Smart Starters – Writing Prompts: Motivational Exercises to Stimulate the Brain* (INA2588)
- *Energising Smart Starters – Grammar and Punctuation: Motivational Exercises to Stimulate the Brain* (INA2595)