

English-4kids.com Suggested Lesson Plan- Unit 8- Actions

This lesson should take about 4 or 5 academic hours to teach and practice. One academic hour is 40 minutes. However, if you have a class of very smart kids, this should take less time.
Goal: To let kids express ability using <i>can</i> and <i>can't</i> plus action verbs.
Vocabulary: walk, run, jump, swim
Presentation Stage
Powerpoint: Use the powerpoint presentation to teach action verbs – walk, run etc. Use the flashcards if you have no computer or projector. Show the cards and ask them to repeat after you (never overdrill, 3 to 5 mins is fine for all words. Use <i>TPR</i> (Total Physical Response), in which you do an action as you teach each verb and ask kids to follow you.
PRACTICE STAGE
Miming Game: Mime an action and let kids tell you what the action is. Get kids to come out and mime actions while others say what the action is. If you mime <i>swim</i> for example, put more language by saying this: <i>Can you</i> ? Or <i>I can</i> Let the students say what is missing by watching you mime. Mime CAN and CAN'T. For example " <i>I can't swim. Help Help!</i> " act as if you were drowning. Let your students come out and mime an action for others to guess.
Flashcard Games: Cut out the small-sized flashcards and bring to class. Get the kids to sit in a circle. This is usually possible when you have a small group. Show them the cards and say the words. Then put the cards on the floor or table and when you say: <i>I can run</i> . Kids slam the run card and repeat. Do this for all the actions. Also use <i>I can't run</i> . Alternate phrases with questions: <i>Can you run?</i> Give praise for each correct move.
Writing Worksheets: Hand out one worksheet at the end of each lesson. Let the kids trace or write the words learnt.
Puppet show: Cut out the puppets and use them to do a short dialogue.
PRODUCTION/OUTPUT STAGE
Puppet show : Let the kids take turns doing short dialogues with the puppets. Give the bear puppet to one student who asks the question and the green monster puppet who answers the questions.

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