

TEACHING VOCABULARY

ABRA-ePEARL Link – Comprehension

TIME

40 minutes + 40 minutes for each extension activity.

MATERIALS

Computer, an ABRACADABRA story, and ePEARL level 1.

OBJECTIVES

- Learners match words with their corresponding pictures and then use the words appropriately in given sentences.
- Learners write and/or record sentences applying these words.

ABRA-ePEARL LINK

- **ABRA:** Vocabulary (ESL) activity with an ABRACADABRA story.
- **ePEARL:** My Creations: writing activity.

Procedures

- 1) Welcome learners as they sit in front of the projection screen.
- 2) Model how to do the Vocabulary (ESL) activity in ABRA.
- 3) Allow a few learners to take turns doing the activity until learners understand the activity.
- 4) Write two words to use as examples on the board.
- 5) Make an ePEARL connection by clicking on the ePEARL link at the bottom right of the screen. Click on *My Creations* and open a *New ABRA Creation*. Select the same ABRA text as before. Provide an example by taking one of the selected written vocabulary words and write a sentence using the text editor in ePEARL.
- 6) Tell learners to write two or three new words on a piece of paper while doing the ABRA activity.
- 7) After finishing an activity set, learners go to ePEARL to write their own sentences using the words selected.
- 8) Remind them to click on the green checkmark to save their work and then close it.

Extension Activity 1

Learners choose a sentence, draw a picture, scan and attach it to this work.

Extension Activity 2

Learners can also record their sentences. Click on *My Readings*, open a *New ABRA Reading* and select the ABRA story used before. Show learners how to use the record button by clicking on the microphone and then the record button. Record a sentence, save it and then open the “bird” icon to hear it. Then, have learners work on their portfolios recording their sentences.