

Lesson 3

ISPACE game.

Aim of the game

- To write a mini story using ISPACE to vary your sentence openers. Your story can be about anything you want – use your imagination. You might want to choose one of the story openers to help you!

How to play

Single player – a version you can play by yourself.

- Roll a dice, if you don't have a dice, you can make one (there is a template under the game grid).
- Look at the number on the dice to see which sentence opener you need to use.
- Add the next sentence to your story using the sentence opener you landed on. You might want to use the ISPACE word mat to help you think of your sentences.

Multi-player – a version you can play with 2 or more people.

- In this version of the game, you are writing a story as a group.
- Either decide on an opening sentence together or use one of the optional story openers.
- Take in turns to roll a dice, if you don't have a dice, you can make one (there is a template under the game grid).
- Look at the number on the dice to see which sentence opener you need to use.
- Add the next sentence to your story using the sentence opener you landed on. You might want to use the ISPACE word mat to help you think of your sentences.
- Each player takes it in turn to roll the dice and add a sentences to the group story. Can you make your sentences link so that your story makes sense?

Your mini story will probably sound a bit silly with every sentence starting with an ISPACE opener. This game is a good way for us to practise our ISPACE skills but it is important to remember that when we write we need to choose carefully when and when to use an ISPACE opener.

Optional story openers.

- The air turned black all around me.
- Bleary-eyed, I went downstairs for breakfast, the house was empty, even the furniture had gone.
- He opened the safe and it had gone. No one had the code, who could have opened it?
- Peeking through the window she couldn't believe what she saw.
- He stepped inside and closed the door to the time machine behind him.
- As she walked along the street the tiny dragon in her pocket stirred restlessly.
- The sails of the pirate ship fluttered in the breeze.
- The astronaut looked out of the window of his spaceship to see the moon had changed colour.
- The two best friends walked across the playground when they heard a loud, crashing noise...

Roll the dice to find out which opener you need to use for your sentence.

1 **Ing** - *Grabbing her bag, the woman stormed out of the shop.*

2 **Similes** - *Like a predator stalking its prey, the robber approached the boy.*

3 **Preposition** - *Under the dark clouds, the lamppost gleamed brightly.*

4 **Adverb** - *Cautiously, the girl reached out to touch the creature.*

5 **Connective** - *Despite the weather, we plunged into the sea.*

6 **Ed** - *Petrified, the dog stood rooted to the spot.*





ING words	
Dreaming	Seizing
Clutching	Shaking
Taking	Closing
Shouting	Hiding
Yelling	
Growling	
Creeping	
Leaping	
Worrying	
Yelling	
Whispering	
Entering	
Bursting	
Escaping	
Moving	
Skipping	
Grasping	
Shivering	
Screaming	
Grabbing	
Running	
walking	

Similes
As timid as
As quiet as
As scared as
As bright as
As quick as
As noisy as
As slowly as
As angry as
As calmly as
Like a monster
Like a mouse
Like as tree
Like a villain
Like a predator
Think.....
Experience
Animal
Nature

Prepositions
Between
Below
Through
On
By
Inside
To
During
In
Under
Above
About
After
At
Beside
On top of
Across
Underneath
Off
Beneath
Before

Adverbs	
Readily	Neatly
Moodily	Amazingly
Honestly	Casually
Crazily	
Simply	
Heavily	
Funnily	
Foolishly	
Ominously	
Finally	
Calmly	
Softly	
Intelligently	
Shyly	
Easily	
Loudly	
Spitefully	
Cautiously	
Busily	
Gently	
Slowly	
Angrily	

Connectives
Since
Whereas
As
Finally
Next
Whenever
Although
Eventually
After
Before
But
So
Where
Before
Despite
Until
Suddenly
Later on
Therefore
Anyway
First

ED words
Exhausted
Puzzled
Excited
Surprised
Delighted
Dazed
Pleased
Petrified
Frightened
Astonished
Worried
Amazed
Scared
Horrorified

6-Sided Dice

