Location Preposition Activity – Direct-o-shapes

Draw shapes ahead of time on construction paper, and cut out. Draw pictures of familiar objects using the shapes. One student instructs another on what to do with the shapes, using location prepositions. For example, “Place the long rectangle below the two triangles.” The second student attempts to determine the identity of the object.

Possible Objects:

Alternatively, the instructor may give instructions to target preposition comprehension. Students draw shapes using prepositions and adjectives, before comparing final product to the target picture.

What’s wrong?

Make statements containing prepositions used incorrectly. Instruct student to correct the statements using prepositions. For example,

Basic Location Prepositions:
Raise your hand down.
The clouds are below me.
Hats should be worn below your head.
He hid in front of the tree.
Throw the dart behind the bulls eye.
It’s time to go above school.

Later Developing Location Prepositions:
She ran away from first base.
There are stars aboard outer space.
The fish swam against the lake.
The best goals are sometimes just across your reach.

Relation Prepositions:
The honest boy said he would rather play because of doing all his homework.
Our parents set out milk and cookies that were from Santa Claus.
The apple dropped despite gravity.

Time Prepositions:
Recess is always after school.
It’s difficult to eat after talking.
You shouldn’t go to bed until before you brush your teeth.
Lunch is always before breakfast.