

1. Draw a simple scene of your choice (you will be giving verbal instructions to a partner about how to draw this so keep that in mind)
2. Write out step by step instructions, outlining how to draw the drawing you just made (do not show anyone the drawing)
3. When you and a partner have each finished the above instructions you may begin the drawing game

Drawing game

Two people: choose who will be the instructor and who will be the illustrator.

The instructor:

1. You will read the instructions to your partner while facing away from your partner like this.



2. Check verbally that your partner is ready and begin reading the drawing instructions. Your partner may ask you for clarification but you are not allowed to look at what they are drawing in any way until the game is completed!
3. Continue instructing your partner until you have completed all of your written instructions.

Illustrator:

1. You will draw the instructions read to you while facing away from your partner like this.



2. You will need a piece of blank paper and a writing utensil of your choice. It will be helpful to place your paper upon a hard surface, like a book until your partner has completed their instructions.

Conclusion

When you have finished either instructing or illustrating you may compare your illustrated drawing to the drawing and instructions of the instructor.

i) You should note the similarities and differences in the two drawings (the original and the interpretation).

ii) Together, with your partner, create a list of missing instructions, adjectives, or adverbs that would allow for the interpretation to look more like the original.

Now, switch jobs (the illustrator becomes the instructor and vice versa).

When completing the process the second time, notice the differences in how the instructions are communicated and what clarifying questions are asked. How has the experience been improved by the first round of instruction/illustration?