

Mini Lesson

Teaching Students to Create a Hangman Puzzle

Say: This is how you create your own Hangman Puzzle. First, you must think about something you are learning in one of your classes. Second, you must then create a sentence about what you are learning. You must make sure you have a complete sentence and all the words are spelled correctly.

I have created a sentence about something we are learning.

Now I count the words in the sentence and the number of letters in each word. Turn to page C-1 and use the blank page on the left. We will make the puzzle the same way it is made on C-1. To begin, draw the game piece. (The rectangle with the lines)

My sentence has 8 words. The first word has four letters, so you make four lines and write the number 1 under them. Look at C-1 for an example.

Make sure you leave a space between word one and word two. Word two has two letters. Write the number two under the two lines. Word three has three letters, word four has three letters, word five has four letters, word six has one letter, word seven has seven letters and word eight has 6 letters.

Now we are ready to play the game. The same rules apply.

Play the game.

Here is how you make a hangman puzzle .
1 2 3 4 5 6 7 8

Ask the students to create their own Hangman. Have them lead the group in solving the puzzle. Use the blank pages in Section C when doing the puzzles. Check the student work to make sure they have a sentence and the words are spelled correctly before they start.