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L.O: To describe a character

Sort these into...

Can you add your own?

Verbs

hunching

wrinkled

allowed

slightly

peacefully

sit

leaned

old

squinting

pale

silently

grateful

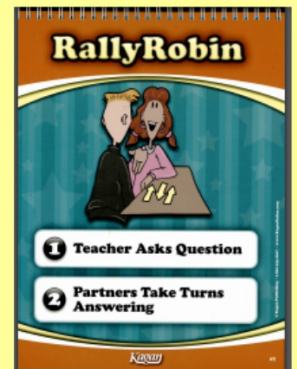
Adjectives

Adverbs

Verbs



Adverbs



Vocabulary Builder

<p>Adjectives</p> <p>E.g. wrinkled (skin)</p>	<p>Verbs</p> <p>E.g. dancing (fingertips)</p>
<p>Adverbs</p> <p>E.g. peacefully (reminiscing)</p>	<p>Expanded Noun Phrases</p> <p>E.g. pale, wrinkled hands</p>

1) Sitting silently and alone, he allowed himself to be drawn into deep thought as he mused about times gone by.

2) Hitting each key faultlessly, the tune he played echoed his sombre, yet grateful, mood.

3) Hunching his shoulders forward so that he sat over the the top of the keys, he leaned down to the piano, squinting slightly with concentration.

4) Floating weightlessly around his mind, the moments of his life danced in time to the gentle music, making him smile and then furrow his brow.

 = verbs

 = adverbs

 = adjectives

How can we turn those sentences into a descriptive paragraph?

Sitting silently and alone, the man at the piano allowed himself to be drawn into deep thought as he mused about times gone by. He sat with shoulders hunched forward, fingers poised over the the top of the keys, and as he started to play, he leaned down to the piano, squinting slightly with concentration. Paper-thin skin covered his hands, delicately wrapping his blue veins and aging bones as he worked the ivory piano keys with the same grace and skill he'd used for many years. As he played, the memories of over 80 years of life spilled from his fingertips and welled in his pale, grey eyes. Floating weightlessly around his mind, the moments of his life danced in time to the gentle music, making him smile and then furrow his brow in equal measure. Hitting each key faultlessly, he played a tune which perfectly echoed his sombre, yet grateful, mood.

Task

Create five sentences describing the old man and what he is doing. Aim to have a different starter for each sentence.

When you have finished your sentences, create a key and colour code your sentence showing the different **verbs**, **adverbs** and **adjectives** you have used.

Support - use the vocabulary builder to create your five sentences.

Challenge - Write a paragraph describing the old man and what he is doing. Focus on using different sentence starters.

