

Colourful Semantics Sentence Builder

Blank sentence-building strips · Say the sentence aloud, then write it.

Orange = Who?

Yellow = What doing?

Green = What?

Blue = Where?

Pink = When?

Level 1 Who + what doing

WHO?

WHAT DOING?

WHO?

WHAT DOING?

Level 2 Who + what doing + what

WHO?

WHAT DOING?

WHAT?

WHO?

WHAT DOING?

WHAT?

Level 3 Who + what doing + what + where

WHO?

WHAT DOING?

WHAT?

WHERE?

WHO?

WHAT DOING?

WHAT?

WHERE?

Level 4 Add when

WHO?

WHAT DOING?

WHAT?

WHERE?

WHEN?

Worked example

The dog

is chasing

the ball

in the park

Teacher quick reference

Colour	Sentence role	Question to ask
Orange	Who / subject	Who is in the sentence?
Yellow	What doing / verb	What are they doing?
Green	What / object	What is it happening to?
Blue	Where / location	Where is it happening?
Pink	When / time	When does it happen?

Progression ladder: secure Level 1 before adding each new colour. Say the sentence aloud first, then write it. Fade the colour cards as sentences become independent.

