unit

Scrambled sentences

Aims

Practice talking about people's appearance.

Language focus

Grammar Order of adjectives

Vocabulary

Adjectives and phrases of appearance

Set-up

Pair work or group work

Lesson link

For use after Unit 2, Lesson C

Time

20 minutes

Preparation

Duplicate one worksheet for each pair or group and mount on construction paper. Cut apart the word cards.

Procedure

- 1. Tell students they are going to arrange words to make sentences describing people's physical appearance.
- 2. Put students in pairs or groups of three or four. Give each pair or group one set of cards.
- 3. Model the activity. Use a pair or group's cards to form the sentence *His sister has straight brown hair*. Tell students that there are many correct ways to arrange the cards to make sentences. Each pair or group should make 7 to 8 sentences and try to use all of the cards.
- 4. Have pairs or groups work to arrange the cards into sentences. As students are working, walk around to monitor the activity and help as needed.

- 5. When a pair or group has finished forming sentences, have them discuss whether any of the sentences are a good description of anyone they know. Have them change sentences to make them true of people they know, for example: *My grandfather has a long, white beard*. Encourage them to give extra information about the people's appearance and to ask follow-up questions. Make note of any errors or problems to review later.
- 6. End the activity promptly after 20 minutes. Have each group share a few of their revised sentences with the class.

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~	His sister	has	straight	brown	hair	'
o ~	Her grandfather	has	a long	white	beard	
°	She	is	tall	and	thin	
°	Homer	is	short	and	overweight	
~	My friend	has	blue	eyes	and red hair	
°	The children	have	curly	blond	hair	
3_	Mr. Jones	is	an elderly	man	of medium height	
°	That man	is	bald	and has	a mustache	
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