Self Assessment

Smiley Faces

In common with many primary classesteachers, I encourage the children in my class to assess their own work - have they achieved the 'WILF' or lesson objective; are they happy with their work? I have used this method very successfully in a Year 1 class and now with a Year 4 class - although I can't see why any primary (or even KS3) couldn't use this method.

I have cut out, laminated and displayed the three following 'smiley' faces. At the end of each lesson the children drew (and now stamp) a face and then add the mouth. If they are happy with their work they add a smile; if they aren't sure they add a straight line; and if they feel a bit confused they add a wiggly line. This needed a 'circle time' to explain the faces and initially everyone always drew a smile. However, this has now settled down and has become an integral part of each plenary.

Please feel free to use the faces ~ they are simply Microsoft Clipart faces that I have adapted.

Mike

Note: I have had made up a blank 'smiley face' stamper - it helps keep the children's books a little neater! I do sell these stampers on my website and if you would like one they are £5.00 each. As a special for SparkleBox website users, I will offer a reduced postage price of £1.20 ~ please send me message through the website and quote 'SprakleBox'.

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Everything is fine!
~ Easy Peasy Lemon Squeezy!
OK - I think!
~ Please could you check!
Oh oh!
~ Please can you help me!