

Thinking Maps



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Bubble Map

The Bubble Map is used for describing using adjectives and adjective phrases.

The center of the map has the main idea and the circles that branch out contain the adjectives (or Adjective phases that describe the main idea).

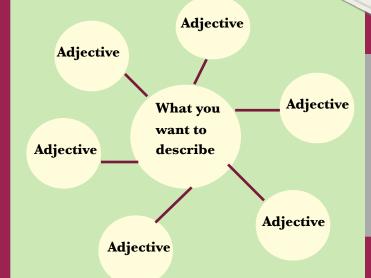
It is a tool used for enriching students' abilities to identify qualities and use descriptive words.

Although a bubble map may look like a cluster or a web, it is not. A bubble map is used only for describing things.

The bubble map is most effective when used in combination with other maps.

It is also an excellent tool for students to use in developing a character they may be writing about in a Descriptive Essay. Questions

How are you describing adjectives would best thing?



Frame of Reference

How do you know what you know?

Across The Curriculum

Language Arts

Identify emotional character traits Describe settings Identifying character qualities

Math

Identifying properties of numbers Describe attributes of geometric figures

History Social Science

Describing key characteristics of cultures -Past and Present Analyzing stereotypes for attributing characteristics to people Distinguishing between "facts" and "opinions"

Science

Describing properties of things Identifying essential properties of things Establishing criteria (values) for experiments

Activities and Tips Classroom Tips:

Draw a family tree; Bubble Map A Family Tree Member; Write a letter to a family member

Use the bubble map to discuss the character trait you are focusing on that month. Describe what a person with that character trait would be like. It's a good way to tie in thinking maps and Character Counts!

Home Tips:

Have your students describe a friend, a pet, a favorite treat, a game, or an animal.

FRAME of REFERENCE

