

Extra 4

What are they doing?

Learning how to describe various movements and actions.

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Aims

There are many kinds of words that describe body movements and actions. This page provides children with words that describe movements they actually do in their daily lives, and various actions they come across. It is hoped that children will start to think about what to call various movements they do in English.

Vocabulary

reading driving riding a bicycle talking walking sleeping playing
soccer drawing fishing jogging

Possible Activities

Do a “What is he / she doing?” quiz. Take pictures of children doing various things with a digital camera. Take shots from behind or just their facial expressions so that the quiz will become more challenging. Using such photos, children imagine what the person in the picture is doing. As many guesses come out from children, show a picture that shows what the person is doing and tell them the answer.

Look at this picture.

This is Takeshi.

He is in the playground.

What is he doing?

Is he jumping rope?

Is he playing soccer?