

CHILDCARE

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KIDDING AROUND: IDIOMS ABOUT CHILDREN

INSTRUCTION SHEET

INSTRUCTIONS:

A matching activity for students to increase their idiomatic vocabulary, then show off their artistic ability in illustrating an idiom they've just learnt.

REQUIRED STRUCTURES: is like, looks like

REQUIRED VOCABULARY: *idiom, match, meanings, illustrate*

IDIOMS: *tomboy, apple of their eye, just kidding, a spitting image, bundle of joy, follow in his father's footsteps, baby blues, Mama's boy, apple doesn't fall far from the tree, like father, like son, ankle biters*

MEANINGS: *continue, family business, looks (just) like, joking, pride, active, sporty, characteristics, is (just) like, depression, giving birth, dependent, shy*

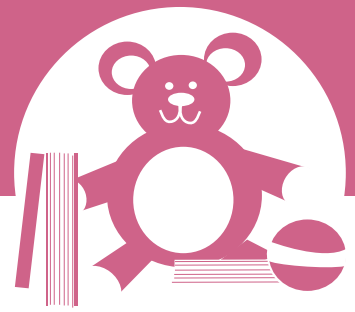
GROUP SIZE: individual or pair for matching, individual for illustrations

HANDOUTS: Kidding Around idiom worksheet

OTHER MATERIALS REQUIRED: art materials for illustrations

RELATED GRAMMAR: quantifiers (just: exactly, nearly)

FOLLOW-UP ACTIVITIES:



INSTRUCTIONS:

Match the idioms on the left with their meanings on the right.

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| 1. TOMBOY | ___ WILL CONTINUE FAMILY BUSINESS |
| 2. APPLE OF THEIR EYE | ___ LITTLE KID |
| 3. JUST KIDDING | ___ LOOKS JUST LIKE A PARENT |
| 4. A SPITTING IMAGE | ___ A NEW BABY |
| 5. BUNDLE OF JOY | ___ JOKING |
| 6. FOLLOW IN HIS FATHER'S FOOTSTEPS | ___ PARENTS' PRIDE |
| 7. BABY BLUES | ___ AN ACTIVE, SPORTY GIRL |
| 8. MAMA'S BOY | ___ SIMILAR CHARACTERISTICS TO A PARENT |
| 9. APPLE DOESN'T FALL FAR FROM THE TREE | ___ BOY IS JUST LIKE HIS DAD |
| 10. LIKE FATHER, LIKE SON | ___ DEPRESSION AFTER GIVING BIRTH |
| 11. ANKLE BITER | ___ A DEPENDENT, SHY CHILD |

USE THE SPACE BELOW TO ILLUSTRATE (DRAW A PICTURE OF) AN IDIOM FROM THE LIST ABOVE.