

SmartBoard Activites

Activity 1: Money

Name of File on Disk: Activity 1

Why did I choose this activity?

I chose this activity because I love teaching and learning about coins! I enjoy how this activity gives children the option to get the answer right and wrong. The reason that I chose this interactive activity, is because it gives students fun ways to figure out how much money they need to make the correct amount, and how much change they need for a certain amount being purchased.

Would I change anything?

Yes. At the beginning of the activity, I would add the descriptions of the coins. I would create separate slides for each coin, so that I can state their value, and show the students the difference in the way the coins are designed. Instead of it just being the activity, I want the information that they need to know to be at the beginning of the activity.

Activity 2: Nouns

Name of File on Disk: Activity 2

Why did I choose this activity? I chose this activity, because a standard for first grade states that we should explain the function of nouns, along with pronouns, verbs, adjectives, prepositions, and adverbs in general and in sentences. This activity is an introduction to nouns, and it provides students the opportunity to do hands-on work with nouns. I would like to find the same resource, but for the other forms (pronoun, verb, adjective, preposition, and adverbs.)

Would I change anything? If I were to change anything, I would change the colors of the background and text first. I believe they clash too much and would be hard to see on a screen in the front of the room. I also would like to have options for students to click on the noun instead of having to circle the noun in each sentence.

Activity 3: Matter Sort

Name of File on Disk: Activity 3

Why did I choose this activity? I chose this activity because it is a great introduction to matter for 1st graders. I enjoy how students have the opportunity to move the objects to the part of matter they believe each item goes to.

Would I change anything? I would add slides before the actual activity, to teach the students about the forms of matter. I would also make the activity more colorful and pleasing to the eye. I would also find other objects for students to classify into the 3 different forms of matter.

Activity 4: Be a Good Citizen

Name of File on Disk: Activity 4

Why did I choose this activity? I chose this activity because it aligns great with a 1st grade standard. The standard is C.2.1.3 Demonstrate ways of being a good citizen in multiple settings. I like how the activity is simple enough for young children to understand, but it teaches them what good citizens do, and also gets them thinking about how they can be good citizens in my classroom, along with their own neighborhood.

Would I change anything? On this activity, I did not find anything that I would change! This is my favorite activity I have found so far.

Activity 5: Subtraction Stories

Name of File on Disk: Activity 5

Why did I choose this activity? I chose this activity because I believe it's so fun! While reading the story to the class, I will be able to call one student up to the board to complete the problem and answer the question. I like how it's a story, and a math problem at the same time! I believe my students will enjoy this activity because we can have a 'story time,' but we will be refreshing our knowledge on subtraction.

Would I change anything? For this specific activity, I would not change anything. Instead, I would add more stories just like this one. Instead of doing them with just subtraction, I can also include addition, multiplication, and division.