

Developing Creative Thinking Skills in English Lessons

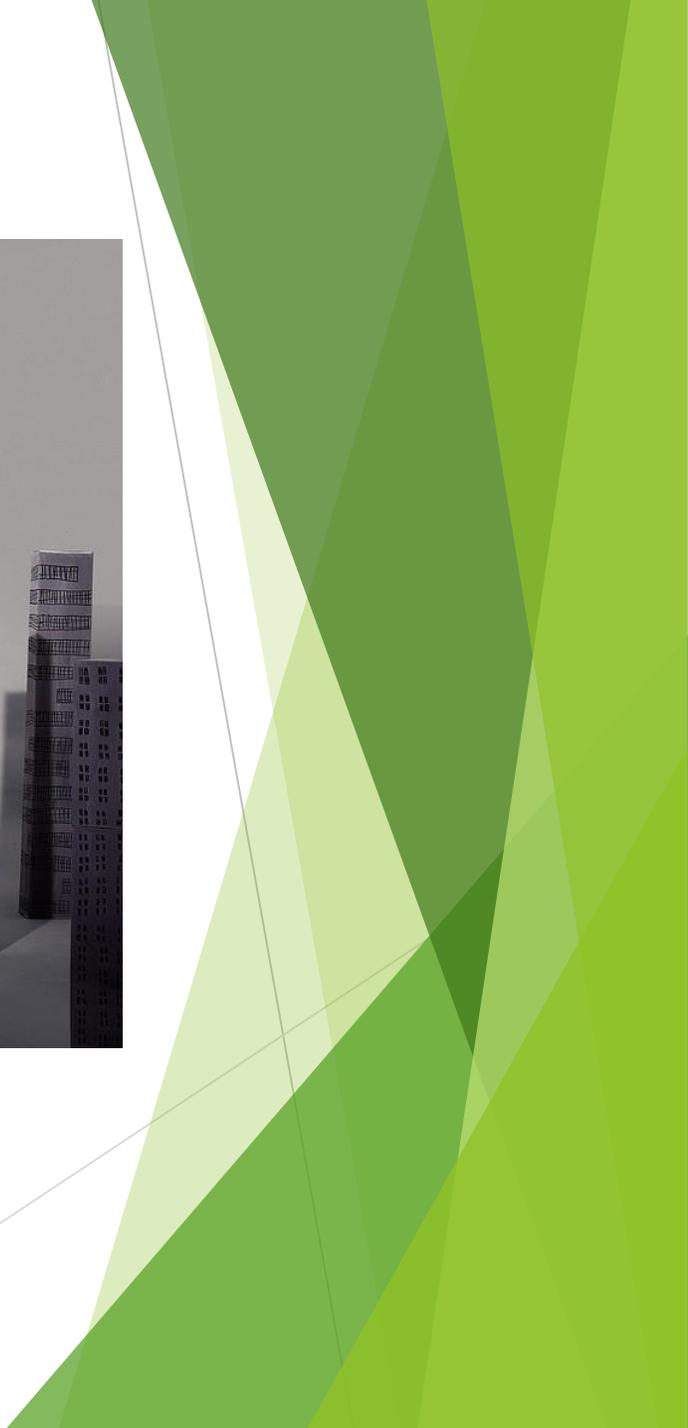
Practical Approach

BASIC PRINCIPLES OF DEVELOPING CREATIVE THINKING

- ▶ Teaching creative thinking comes through basic logic actions:
 - Comparison
 - Categorization and classification
 - Synthesis
 - Generalization
- ▶ Encouraging students to speak out their ideas freely
- ▶ Putting students in a situation where their abilities to react and respond are tested
- ▶ Setting clear goals and giving students various ways of achieving it

Guess the Other Half

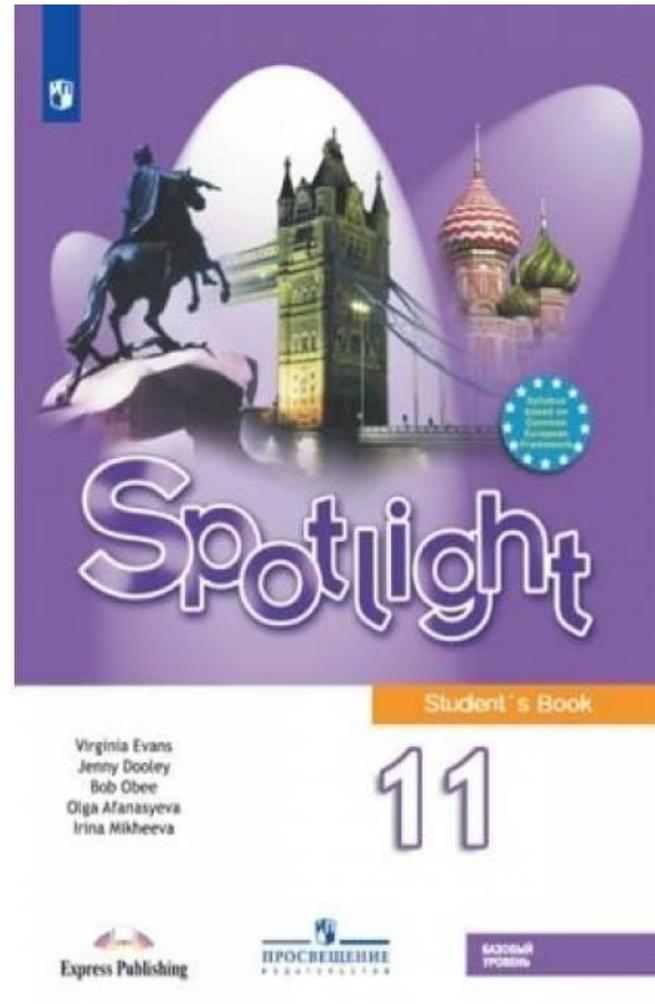




Make Up a Creative Headline to the Photo



Me thanking my best friend for letting me copy his English homework.



It's a final countdown / A «last thing I open in the evening»
book



You are a form teacher now / Casual daily shopping in Moscow

Make Excuses

- ▶ 1. You were caught cheating during the test
- ▶ 2. You were late for the PE lesson
- ▶ 3. You were seen in the zoo at midnight. What were you doing there?
- ▶ 4. Your classmate saw you taking his cookie
- ▶ 5. Your teacher asked you to bring some chalk and you were 20 minutes out of the classroom. What happened?

Make Up Your Own Story

- ▶ Once upon a time ...
- ▶ He/She/It was...
- ▶ One day he/she/it decided to...
- ▶ He/she/it wanted to...
- ▶ But...
- ▶ To deal with that problem he/she/it...
- ▶ It turned out that...
- ▶ However, he/she/it was ready to...
- ▶ Finally, ...
- ▶ And the moral of the story is...

- ▶ **Once upon a time** there lived a happy teacher
- ▶ He was happy because he liked his job
- ▶ **One day he decided to** teach even more students
- ▶ He wanted to help students become more educated and creative
- ▶ **But** he overestimated his mental and physical powers and got exhausted while teaching
- ▶ **To deal with this problem he** started to spend less time on preparing for his lessons
- ▶ **It turned out that** his lessons became less interesting and exciting
- ▶ **However, he was ready to** continue working at that pace
- ▶ **Finally,** the teacher became sad and dissatisfied with his lessons
- ▶ **And the moral of the story is** - you can't jump over your head

USE IT, DON'T CONFUSE IT



MEAT



MEET

He managed to **meet** her at the station
and asked her to cook some **meat**



DESSERT



DESERT

John wanted to find some water in the
desert but all he found was a **dessert**

THERE ARE MANY OTHER WAYS TO DEVELOP
CREATIVE THINKING! FEEL FREE TO
EXPERIMENT!

WOULD YOU MIND GIVING YOUR
FEEDBACK?

