

# Exemplar



**Drama Exercise:** Bippity Bippity Bop  
**Adaptation to Curriculum:** English: Synonyms and Antonyms  
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## The Exercise

**LEVEL 1:** The facilitator points at someone in the circle and says "Bippity-Bippity-Bop" as fast as they can. The person being pointed at must say "Bop" before the facilitator gets to the end of saying "Bippity-Bippity-Bop". If the facilitator points to someone in the circle and only says "bop", then that person must stay quiet. The goal is to get people to say "Bop" fast enough in the first case scenario and to trick them into saying "bop" in the second scenario. If someone makes a mistake they have to "die a dramatic death". This means they have to pretend to die in an absurd and over the top manner.



**LEVEL 2:** Is to get people to make things with their bodies in threes. So if the facilitator says "Ganesh", the person in the middle becomes his trunk and the two on the sides, his ears. If they are pointed at and the facilitator says "Washing Machine" the two on the sides create the box of the machine and the person in the middle is the clothes going round and round. The facilitator gets three people to demonstrate each of the words before using them.

Some examples of words are:

- Washing Machine
- Ganesh
- Kali
- Ferrari

This exercise can be used when teaching themes or topics. For example, you could say the names of modes of transport if the learners are learning about transport. If there is a unit on natural history and the environment then you can call out names of trees, animals or geographical features. In a class on religion and culture, you could do names of Gods and festivals.

**Purpose of the exercise:** Focus. Responding quickly. Raising energy levels.

## The adaptation

The learners stood in a big circle. After explaining the rules the game was played as it is for a few rounds. In the next round, instead of Bippity-Bippity-Bop, a word was called out looking at a learner. That learner had to say the Synonym of that word, the learner on their right had to say the Antonym of the word and the learner on the left had to make a sentence with the original word. If they were not able to do so, all 3 learners had to die a dramatic death.