Imperative Verbs



Activity 1

IMPERATIVE VERBS

Instructions usually include imperative verbs. Remember, verbs are doing words. Imperative verbs are often called 'bossy verbs' as they tell people exactly what to do.

Below are some examples of imperative verbs, use them to help fill the blanks in this recipe for chocolate brownies.

| | pour | mix | add | stir |
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| | chop | grate | sprinkle | whisk |
| | beat | slice | melt | spread |
| | bake | turn | crack | grate |
| the chocolate in a saucepan over low heat the butter into small pieces and well. In a bowl | | | | |
| | the eggs | with the sugar. ₋ | | the chocolate and |
| vanilla and | I | well | the mixture into a tray | |
| and | nd at 180° for 25-30 minu | | or 25-30 minutes. | |
| Check to make sure that the imperative verbs you've added make sense in the text. Use the pictures in Challenge 3 to help make sure you've chosen appropriate imperative verbs. | | | | |

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Activity 2

Write a first draft of the instructions to make chocolate brownies in chronological order. Include at least two time connectives to help the reader understand the order in which to follow the instructions.

There are some time connectives below that you may wish to use.

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| Che | ck if you have o | achieved these crite | ria: | | |
| | Written in chr | onological order an | d taken a new l | ne for each instructi | on. |
| | Included at le | ast two time connec | ctives. | | |
| | Checked your | spelling, punctuation | on and gramma | r. | |

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Activity 3

Brownie recipe:

Now it's time to publish a final draft of your instructions to make chocolate brownies. Write each step next to an image that illustrates the instruction.

Remember to write in chronological order, using time connectives and include imperative verbs.

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| Included appropriate imperative verbs to tell the reader exactly what to do. |
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| Included at least two time connectives. |
| Checked your spelling, punctuation and grammar. |