

## 36. Human fruit machine

This activity requires large foam cubes with plastic pockets. They are not very expensive to purchase and can be used time and again. You may find some in the infant section of your primary school.

- ◆ Insert images into the plastic pockets, which represent different parts of the complex sentence being practised. For example, one die will have images for the noun in the sentence, another for the verb. A variety of images on each of the six sides is more interesting.
- ◆ Ask children to come to the front of the class and hold a cube. Explain that they will become part of a human fruit machine. You will never be short of volunteers!
- ◆ The children arrange themselves in the order of the sentence structure.
- ◆ On the count of three, each child chooses a side to show to the class, who then read out the randomly generated sentence. A nonsensical sentence will often be created, but this is the appeal.

