## **Year 6 English Homework Task**

This week, my Year 6 English class had an interesting homework task: to teach a peer about either the use of a colon or the use of a semicolon. Having studied and got to grips with these punctuation marks prior to the task, they then had to create a worksheet or a game to practise its usage. I never expected the creativity that came out of this! Pupils produced board-games, card games, gigantic worksheets with stick-on punctuation marks, and then played each other's games for most of one English lesson. The conversations about learning that went on were so revealing — as they learned from each other,



explanations were given, misconceptions were cleared up, improvements were made to the games, and a lot of fun was had by all – all based around a subject as dry as punctuation! This was the perfect way to develop the Learning Habits of joining in, reflecting and responding.

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