

# INSTRUCTIONAL STRATEGIES



## Pass the Picture

This instructional strategy allows participants to write about a visual representation as a group.

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### Summary

This strategy can be used as a pre or post assessment to gauge student knowledge about a chosen individual and can be used as an introduction to research on specific historical figures. Students will generate sentences in response to questions about a person in an image. Sentences and images are passed between students until the whole group has created a paragraph.

### Procedure

1. Prior to the activity, create a list of 10 questions that could help identify a person (e.g., "What is his/her name?").
2. Sort students into groups.
3. Each student is given an image of a person and a blank sheet of paper.
4. Ask one of the questions from the list out loud.
5. Students write the answer in a complete sentence on the blank paper.
6. Students then pass their image and paper to the student on their right.
7. Repeat steps 2-4 until students receive their original image and paper.
8. At the end, each student will have a descriptive paragraph for their image that has been written by their group.
9. Students share their images with the group and read their final paragraph descriptions.

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