Lesson 11

Area: Listen

Title: Write What You Hear

Objective: For students to hear what was said in a sequence, then write what they heard when instructed.

Materials: Paper
Writing utensil
Board or overhead

Activity: Tell the class the following: “Please listen. You need to pay attention carefully. I cannot repeat this, so listen now.”

Read the following directions out-loud to the class:
“I am going to tell you four things to do. Listen to all of the directions before doing anything.”

“1. Stand up and sit down in your chair.”
“2. Wave hello to someone sitting near you.”
“3. Hold up your pencil.”
“4. Put your name on your paper.”

“Now, don’t do any of the four things I said. Instead, pick up your pencil and write down all of the directions I gave you from when I said, “I cannot repeat this, so listen now.”

Give students 5 minutes to write in silence. Then, have students form small groups of 4-6 and compare their papers.

Closure: Discuss the following questions:
1. “Did everyone remember the same thing?”
2. “Why do people remember differently even if they all heard the same directions?”
3. “Do you know any tricks for remembering?”