

Opposites miming games

Mime one of the pairs of opposites below (meaning miming both sides) until your partner guesses what your actions mean. If they can't guess, show them the list below. You can make sound effects if you need to, but don't say anything.

Ask about any words below which you don't understand, working together as a class to make suitable mimes each time.

Play the miming game again, but this time only miming one side below. Your partner should say both the word that you are miming and its opposite.

Test each other on the words by reading out one and seeing if your partner can say the opposite. Use gestures to help if you need to.

Suggested opposites to mime

bent/ curved	straight
bright	dim/ dark
broad/ wide	narrow
bumpy/ rough/ bobbly	flat/ smooth
bendy/ flexible	stiff
big/ bulky/ large	compact/ little/ small
neat/ tidy	messy/ untidy
thick	thin
pointed/ pointy/ sharp	rounded/ blunt
firm/ hard/ solid	soft/ spongy/ squashy

heavy	(feather)light
sticky	slippery
hot	cold
deep	shallow
loose	(skin)tight
loud/ noisy	quiet/ silent
moving	stationary/ fixed
closed/ shut	open
beautiful/ gorgeous/ stunning	hideous/ ugly
disposable	reusable
broken/ out of order	fixed/ mended/ repaired/ working
tall	short
happy	sad
stressed	calm
ashamed/ embarrassed	proud

good	bad
up	down
fat/ chubby	thin/ skinny/ slim
yes	no
one	many
on	under
in front of	behind
delicious/ tasty/ yummy	revolting/ disgusting/ yucky
wake up/ get up	go to bed/ go to sleep
get dressed	get undressed
slow	fast/ quick/ rapid
quiet/ silent	loud/ noisy
near/ close	far
bored	interested