



## Using a Multisensory Program to Teach Grammar

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"The Winston Program" is a program that can be used to teach grammar, specifically the parts of speech, using a multisensory approach. It utilizes color-coded cards with key words and special marks for each part of speech. In addition, each card includes strategies for identifying the part of speech, such as a picture or examples. Each lesson allows students to practice placing the correct part of speech card over each word in the sentences.

As you introduce a part of speech, display the corresponding card. Provide direct instruction, and discuss the strategies given on the card. The card can then be used to practice with examples and actual sentences. The student can place a card over each word in the sentence that uses the given part of speech. Other parts of speech cards from previous lessons can be placed, as well. A black card is placed above any words using a part of speech that has not yet been taught. This makes it easy for the teacher/educational therapist to assess students' understanding and to provide feedback. The student then uses the special marks shown on the cards to label the parts of speech on the sentence.

While the cards for this program can be purchased, it's easy to make your own cards using construction or other colored paper. Another option is to make these cards on an application such as Google Slides, for online use.

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