It Worked Well Wednesday!

Odd One Out (also called Spot the Intruder) is a Conti-style low prep activity that is great for recycling previously learned vocabulary. You can do if for any level by theme or just as a quick starter to review a range of useful vocab.

I wrote the activity attached following a chat with my Higher Beginner learners, who told me that when they learned something new, they often felt that they forgot everything else!

This starter was a great way to refresh some vocab and it highlighted that they do remember more than they think! We actually spent quite a bit of time feeding back because the activity triggered 'word association' (which I hadn't planned!) so my learners were coming up with a really good range of other related vocab. It was great!

You can build on this even further by reading a sentence and then asking learners to shout out or write on a white board the best word they think will complete the sentence. For example (using the grid attached), you could say:

Je veux écrire une lettre à ma tante mais je n'ai pas de ...

If your learners are struggling, you can direct them to the appropriate row of words. The options may be 'timbre' or 'enveloppe' but you may then decide to display the sentence to show that there is only one feasible answer because of 'de' (rather than (d') – which would be 'timbre'.

We hope this is useful!

We'd love to hear your feedback if you have the time – theteam@grabandgolanguageresources.co.uk

