

She said, he said



Active practice with reported speech

1. As a group, study the picture. What is going on? Where are they? How do they feel?
2. Take a card. Imagine you are one of the characters in the picture. Write 1-2 sentences on your card in the active voice.
3. Pass your card to another person in your group.
4. Once you have a new card, transform the sentence in the card into reported speech. Pay attention to punctuation and tone and use words like *said*, *exclaimed*, *cried*, *begged*, *told*, *screamed*, etc. to show feeling.
5. Read your new sentences out to your group. If possible, write more sentences and form a story about your picture.

Reflection

What kinds of language did this activity practice?

Do you use a similar activity in your classroom?

How might you use these same pictures in another classroom activity? Write at least one idea in the box below.