

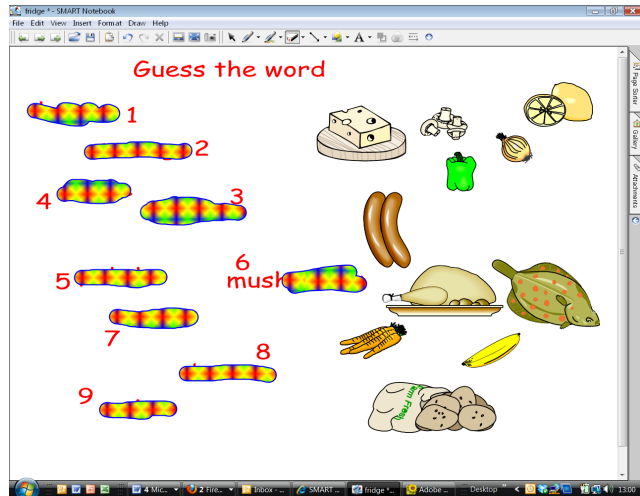
Rub and Reveal in Smart Notebook

Rub and Reveal is one of the best tools on Smart Notebook because it allows a teacher to cover and uncover small, irregularly shaped parts of a picture or to cover up words and use the eraser to uncover the word or picture bit by bit.

Why would you want to do this?

Imagine you are doing an exercise matching words and pictures with young learners or as part of a literacy session. Some of the class will call out very early on and others will stop looking at the board.

If a word is covered up and gradually revealed letter by letter, everyone is engaged in guessing/ predicting/ thinking and all the pupils keep focusing on the board and paying closer attention to detail.



Perhaps you are teaching a foreign language or EAL and want to increase vocabulary. Choose a picture and cover it with a plain colour. Use the eraser to reveal the image one part at a time.

Ask questions: *Qu'est-ce que C'est? ¿Como es el tiempo?*

Get the class to call out any words which come into the head and you will be amazed at the amount of vocabulary you elicit. It seems to work well for making passive vocabulary more active.

Well, they do say one picture is worth a thousand words.

For revision in science, show diagrams with the labels covered up. As pupils call out the different terms, reveal the labels so they can check their guesses.

How to do it

Choose your picture and put it onto a Smart Notebook page.

Choose a pen from the pen tray.

Select the thickest line.

Now scribble till it is covered up. Very satisfying.

Save the file.

In class, use the eraser tool to rub out parts and reveal the picture.

You can change the thickness of the eraser.

At each stage use questions or brainstorm to elicit ideas, vocabulary and information.

