

Max's Super Smoothie Instructions

Learning objective: To understand and use the features of instructional writing, including imperative verbs and time adverbials.

Read the instructions below carefully to help Max the monkey make his favourite healthy snack. Then, answer the questions to show what you have learned.

How to make Max's Monkey-Berry Smoothie:

Ingredients: 1 banana, a handful of strawberries, and 100ml of milk.

1. First, peel the banana and slice it into small pieces.
2. Next, wash the strawberries and pull off the green leaves.
3. Then, put the fruit and the milk into a blender.
4. Finally, blend the ingredients until the mixture is smooth and pour it into a glass.

Enjoy your delicious drink!

Word bank: First · Next · Then · Finally · blend · pour · peel · slice

1. Which two pieces of equipment do you need to use to make the smoothie? (2 marks)

2. Find and copy one imperative (bossy) verb from step 1. (1 mark)

3. What is the very last thing you must do before you can drink the smoothie? (2 marks)

4. Why do you think the instructions use words like 'First' and 'Next'? (2 marks)

5. If Max wanted to make a smoothie for two friends, how many bananas would he need? (1 mark)

Draw: Draw a picture of Max the monkey enjoying his finished smoothie in a glass with a straw.



Extension challenge: Write your own set of three instructions for something you do every morning, such as 'How to brush your teeth' or 'How to get dressed for school'. Remember to use imperative verbs!