GA 11 Movement and Feelings – Synonym Array

Vocabulary Item	Adjectives of feelings: Anger: angry, annoyed, furious Fear: alarmed, frightened, petrified Surprise: amazed, shocked, surprised Tiredness: drained, exhausted, tired
Vocabulary Building Strategy	Using a dictionary Using knowledge of lexical relations - synonyms of different degrees of intensity

Activity Description

This activity aims to familiarise students with the use of dictionaries and heighten students' awareness of the subtle differences between near-synonyms. With the help of a dictionary, students categorise previously learnt synonyms according to their degrees of intensity on the Synonym Array Board. The first group that gets the correct answers is the winner.

Materials for Each Group

A Synonym Array Board A set of word cards on synonyms A dictionary

Procedures

- 1. Students are divided into groups of four. Each group is given a Synonym Array Board, a dictionary and a set of word cards which include 12 adjectives under the four kinds of emotions 'Anger', 'Fear', 'Surprise' and 'Tiredness'.
- 2. With the help of a dictionary, students put the words into three different levels according to their degrees of intensity on the Synonym Array Board.
- 3. The first group that gets the correct answers is the winner.

Word Cards (Synonyms)

ANGER	FEAR	SURPRISE	TIREDNESS
angry	alarmed	amazed	drained
annoyed	frightened	shocked	tired
furious	petrified	surprised	exhausted

(Answer Keys)

Intensity Feeling			Strongest
Anger	annoyed	angry	furious
Fear	alarmed	frightened	petrified
Surprise	surprised	shocked	amazed
Tiredness	tired	drained	exhausted