Have Ur Word: Food vocabulary
In this post I am going to describe activities and resources used for teaching the <i>Food</i> vocabulary in a primary classroom.
Food flashcards are abundant on the net. To introduce and practice them I use activities I described in the previous posts, such as matching, pointing, odd one out.
One more practicing activity is called "smiley or sad". I draw a smiley face on the board (which corresponds to <i>yes</i>), and a sad face (<i>no</i>). I show a flashcard or wordcard and ask " <i>Do you like?</i> ", and the kids point to the smiley or the sad. I like it that everybody is involved and there is an element of movement.
Food topic also allows for categorizing and sorting activities. For example, students have a pack of wordcards and categorize them into fruit and vegetables; food for breakfast, dinner, lunch; healthy food and junk food.
We can't do without songs when teaching primary students. I use this one for teaching the Food topic: http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=UaqISEs_uj0

The wonderful story about the hungry caterpillar can't be ignored. It can be watched on YouTube: http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=48kywlA0gqw&feature=related ; or downloaded as a Power Point:

http://www.slideshare.net/silviagrasa/cfakepaththe-very-hungry-caterpillar

- . Colouring pages for the tale are also available: http://www.eric-carle.com/ColoringSheet.jpg
- . Some tips on using the story:

http://www.teachingenglish.org.uk/tips/flashcards

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