

## Macky Mac & The Crunchy Bunch - A Literary Exercise in Rapping

You might want to put your cap on backwards for this one... Although students may not get the 90's hip hop reference, they'll love being able to demonstrate the use of verbs, adjectives and nouns in such a cool and fun way!

### What You Need:

- The *Apple Rap* written onto poster board or chart paper with blanks left for words to be inserted
- Filler words written onto pieces of paper with tape on the back
- Poster board with a 3-columned T Chart for *verbs*, *adjectives* and *nouns*
- Fun rapping props (e.g. ghetto blaster, microphones, caps, or sunglasses...)

1. First things first, we need to sort out our adjectives from our nouns from our verbs... What's what?
  - **Adjectives:** Describing words
  - **Nouns:** Person, place or thing
  - **Verbs:** Action words
2. Using the list of words you see below, that at this stage will be scattered on pieces of paper, place them in the correct column on your T Chart. You can add your own too!

Verbs	Nouns	Adjectives
decay	worms	beautiful
grow	bacteria	smelly
feed	moulds	nutritious
shrink	fungi	happy
wait	trees	angry
watch	Farmer Fran	chilly
crunch	Farmer Frank	warmer
buzzing	apples	
eat	blossoms	
throw	bees	
harvests	pollen	
	honey	
	apple pie	
	apple juice	
	apple chips	



3. Have students come up one by one to choose the filler words that best fit into the Apple Rap blanks. It may take a couple of goes and some swapping around to get it sounding (and rhyming) just right.
4. Now you're ready to perform your rap as a group! Incorporate some actions for extra effect!

## The Apple Rap!

Put an apple into the compost, just \_\_\_\_\_ and it will slowly \_\_\_\_\_,  
As the \_\_\_\_\_, \_\_\_\_\_ and \_\_\_\_\_ munch and \_\_\_\_\_ the apple away.  
I then take this beautiful compost, a perfect food for hungry \_\_\_\_\_,  
And \_\_\_\_\_ it to the apple tree, that the farmer \_\_\_\_\_ with expertise.

The tree is so very happy, well fed, and full of life,  
It is blooming with pink and white \_\_\_\_\_, that smell so very nice.  
The \_\_\_\_\_ are terribly busy, collecting \_\_\_\_\_ while \_\_\_\_\_ with glee,  
And slurping nectar to make sweet golden \_\_\_\_\_, and pollinating the tree.

The temperature is getting \_\_\_\_\_, the summer is nearly past,  
The little flowers have turned into \_\_\_\_\_, so I can \_\_\_\_\_ one at last!  
What can we make with those apples? Have you got a favourite recipe?  
You can make \_\_\_\_\_ or \_\_\_\_\_, let's make sure it's fresh and healthy!

After we made our apple treats, we had a bucket of apple \_\_\_\_\_,  
Don't you think we should add this to the \_\_\_\_\_, the worms are asking for more!