# Area of English: Reading

## Skill: Inference

# YOU WILL NEED ...

#### Resources:

There are downloadable resources available to accompany this lesson.

#### Equipment:

Diamond 9 cards. One set per group. Example of 'Diamond 9' formation displayed on white board.



#### Instructions:

- 1. Before the lesson cut up the cards and place them in envelopes around the room. Write on each envelope 'What makes a good princess?'
- 2. Pupils should work in groups of 4-6.
- 3. Explain to pupils that in the envelopes they have 9 statements about being a princess.
- 4. Pupils must discuss each statement and work together to complete the diamond.
- 5. Pupils should be encouraged to justify how they have organised the statements and their importance.

### Teacher Tip:

The Diamond 9 is a 'Teaching Thinking' activity, where pupils are challenged to think through a concept on their own. This is a useful tool to promote in class discussions and gather opinions of the learners, rather than simply provide them with information to be retained.

- Most Important Top of Diamond 9
- Very Important x 2 2nd Level of Diamond 9
- Important x 3 Middle Level of Diamond 9
- Lesser Importance x 2 2nd Bottom Level of Diamond 9
- Least Important x 1 Bottom Level of Diamond 9