Fancy Words: Deck of Cards

Purpose: Fancy words cards, are a deck of cards with icons that represent different types of fancy words that can be used to add more style and voice to writing.

Directions: Reproduce and cut the ten Fancy Words cards to make a deck. These icons represent the following different types of fancy words or phrases to add flair and personality to writing:

1. Dialogue Bubble = Dialogue, Quotes, or Paraphrases
2. Thinking Bubble = Thoughts, Ideas, Wishes, Beliefs
3. Starburst = Figurative Language (similes, metaphors, personification, etc.)
4. Magnifying Glass = Supporting Details
5. Five Senses = 5 cards, one per sense
6. Heart = Feelings or Emotions
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Directions (continued): During writing lessons, the teacher posts the cards on the board to remind students of all the different types of fancy words (vivid sensory words, figurative language, dialogue, etc.) they can use. Notice in the photos, the teacher posts the cards near the organizers. The class brainstorms these type of words and phrases to write on the organizer.

Salt and Pepper Shakers: While chanting *add fancy words* the students pretend to shake salt and pepper over their picture boxes and the teacher shakes real salt and pepper shakers (filled with colorful beads) over her organizer.

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