

### BACKWARD BUILDUP

If student has trouble repeating a complete sentence as modeled, start by using the last phrase of the sentence.

*He starts/ to work/ at six o'clock/ on Monday morning.*

T — "... on Monday morning."

S — "... on Monday morning."

T — "... at six o'clock on Monday morning."

S — "... at six o'clock on Monday morning."

T — "... to work at six o'clock on Monday morning."

S — "... to work at six o'clock on Monday morning."

T — "He starts to work at six o'clock on Monday morning."

### RESTATEMENT

Ask students to restate a sentence, using the appropriate words.

T — "Tell me that you are enjoying your dinner."

S — "I am enjoying my dinner."

Giving cue words (e.g. *today, yesterday, tomorrow*), have students restate a sentence using appropriate verb tenses.

T — "Today I'm riding the bus to town."  
"Yesterday."

S — "Yesterday I rode the bus to town."

T — "Tomorrow."

S — "Tomorrow I will ride the bus to town."

### COMPLETION DRILL

Gives students additional practice in forming correct sentences and provides a chance for creativity.

T — "I went shopping and bought..."

S — "I went shopping and bought five apples."

A small group can continue around the circle in a chain drill with each student adding another piece.

#1 — "I went shopping and bought..."

#2 — "I went shopping and bought five apples."

#3 — "I went shopping and bought five apples and two oranges."

#4 — "I went shopping and bought five apples, two oranges and a box of cereal."

### CONTINUING STORY

To encourage more advanced students to speak spontaneously. Teacher begins, then leaves last sentence incomplete, as does each in his turn.

T — "I know an old man. He lives..."

S#1 — "He lives across the street from us. He enjoys watching..."

S#2 — "He enjoys watching the cars going by. He is..."

S#3 — "He is very poor but he always smiles and says hello."

T — "I bought a used car. It is a..."

S#1 — "It is a 1982 Chevy, four door. It's in good condition except..."

S#2 — "Except it has a bit of rust. It also needs..."

S#3 — "It needs some new tires and a muffler."