

Activity Type

Vocabulary Game:
matching, gap-fill (group
work)

Focus

Abstract nouns

Aim

To listen to sentences
and race to choose the
best abstract noun that
completes each sentence
from the choices
provided.

Preparation

Make one copy of the
cards for each group
of three and cut as
indicated.

Level

Pre-intermediate (A2)

Time

20 minutes

Introduction

In this fun abstract nouns game, students listen to sentences and race to choose the best abstract noun that completes each sentence from the choices provided.

Procedure

Divide the students into groups of three and give each group a set of cards.

Ask the students to shuffle the cards and place them face down in a pile on the table.

The students then take it in turns to pick up a card and read the sentence along with the three abstract nouns to the other group members, e.g. 'BLANK is very important for your health'. 'a. sleep, b. idea, c. lie'.

The group members then race to say which abstract noun best completes the sentence.

The first student to guess the correct abstract noun wins and keeps the card, i.e. sleep.

The correct answer is indicated in bold for the reader.

Each student is allowed one guess per card.

If no one says the correct answer, the card is returned to the bottom of the pile to be used again later in the game.

Play continues until all the cards have been guessed correctly.

The student with the most cards at the end of the game wins.

Note: This resource can be edited using a PDF editor.



BLANK is very important for your health. a. sleep b. idea c. lie	She always uses a bicycle in her daily BLANK. a. love b. luck c. life	A: Let's order a pizza. B. Good BLANK. a. life b. idea c. time	Not doing your homework is a bad BLANK. a. idea b. luck c. pain
My BLANK is to be a baseball player. a. dream b. love c. life	Don't tell BLANKs to your mother. a. lies b. ideas c. dreams	He lived in one city his whole BLANK. a. lie b. time c. life	I had a scary BLANK last night. a. dream b. peace c. lie
When did you fall in BLANK for the first time? a. luck b. love c. peace	BLANK is the most important thing in a family. a. lie b. idea c. love	I don't have BLANK to talk now. I'm busy. a. peace b. time c. life	We lost the game because of bad BLANK. a. time b. idea c. luck
I feel BLANK in my foot. It hurts. a. love b. sleep c. pain	Good BLANK on the test today! a. luck b. sleep c. love	Stop fighting and make BLANK. a. peace b. sleep c. pain	I want a little BLANK and quiet. a. luck b. dream c. peace
I need to get some BLANK. Good night. a. dream b. sleep c. time	He said he was rich, but it was a BLANK. a. peace b. pain c. lie	Doing housework is a BLANK sometimes. a. life b. pain c. dream	What do you do in your free BLANK? a. sleep b. time c. pain