

Enrichment Strategy: Matching Activity
"Card Flip Game"
Synonyms & Antonyms

This offline enrichment strategy helps students reinforce their understanding of word meanings. This activity is best completed after students have had a chance to play the online Featured Games for Synonyms and Antonyms.

Goal: To improve students' understanding and use of synonyms and antonyms.

What You'll Need:

- Printer & copier
- "Card Flip Game" handout (24 cards for synonyms and 24 cards for antonyms), one per student
- Scissors
- An envelope or small plastic bag for each student

What To Do:

1. Select a card set (Synonyms or Antonyms) -- note that each one covers 1½ pages, although you may opt to use just one.
2. Print, copy, and distribute handouts to students.
3. Have students cut out their cards as you read the directions aloud.

Directions:

- Cut apart your card flip cards.
- Place the cards face down on a table and mix them up.
- Make four rows of six* cards. Keep them upside down! [*change to "three" if only using 1 handout page]
- Turn over two cards. Are the words synonyms or antonyms? If so, you have a match. If not, turn them over and try again.
- When you make a match, take out those cards. Keep playing until you have found all the matches.

4. Following game play, give each student 2 envelopes or baggies to play at home (1 for synonyms, 1 for antonyms).

Card Flip Game for Synonyms

Cut out the cards to play.

big

large

right

wet

correct

start

begin

damp

happy

glad

slim

fast

thin

nice

kind

speedy

Card Flip Game for Synonyms (continued)

win

victory

lose

dry

arid

hot

misplace

warm

Card Flip Game for Antonyms

up

down

fat

right

left

nice

sad

mean

Card Flip Game for Antonyms (continued)

Cut out the cards to play.

lose

find

loud

start

quiet

question

answer

skinny

pass

fail

split

stop

join

humid

arid

happy