

Vocab games

Pictionary

Choose a topic, e.g. zoo, animals, jobs, fruit and vegetables. Make vocab cards. Shuffle them. A player picks a card and draws a picture. Can the others guess the word?

Jumbled words

Choose a topic. Make jumbled words for a partner. Example: hlosoc (= school)

Quiz time!

Give one clue at a time, e.g. It's an animal. Can your partner guess the word? How many clues does your partner need? Keep a tally. **###**

Peep!

Read out a sentence but say "Peep!" for the word. Can your partner guess the word?

Words in the air

Write a word in the air. Can your partner read it?

Words on your back

Your partner writes a word on your back – one big letter at a time. Can you guess the word?

I'm thinking of a word ...

Think of a word and give a clue. How many clues does your partner need to guess the word? Keep a tally. **###**

Examples: I'm thinking of a word ...

- that rhymes with ...
- that's the opposite of ...
- that means the same as ...
- that starts with the letter ...
- that is a ... (category, e.g. fruit)

How to memorise vocabulary best

1 **picture** 
an **apple**

2 **features**
snow: white, cold

3 **action or use**
football: kick a football,
play football

4 **synonym or antonym**
synonyms (same meaning)
beautiful = good-looking, pretty
antonyms (opposite meaning)
happy ☺ ↔ sad ☹
hungry ↔ full

5 **definition**
skyscraper – A skyscraper is a very tall building.

6 **category**
apple = fruit
bus, train, plane =
means of transport

7 **sentence**
magazine: I like reading
magazines a lot.

8 **rhyming words**
to help with spelling and
pronunciation
ball: fall – tall – hall
house: mouse

9 **brainstorming**
