

Vocabulary Game



TEACHER GUIDE

Students love to play games and be social. Playing with dice gives students an opportunity to practice their vocabulary in an enjoyable way. The dice mandates I've created can be modified or combined if you have more than one dice per group (renumber 1-12 rather than just 1-6). I'd also love other mandates that you have given your students depending on the number rolled.

Here are the two different ways to play:

OPTION 1: Divide the class into groups of 3-5 (depending on how many dice you have). Give each group a list of vocabulary words. Have the first student in the group roll the dice and then use the first word in the list in his/her answer. The next student in the group rolls and also uses the first word in the list in his/her answer. Once all group members have used the first word, students can move on to the second word. Once all students have used the second word, move on to the third, etc. Suggested time limit per student answer: 30seconds to 1 minute.

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Notes: You could make a variety of word lists and then have groups switch lists when they finish a round.

If students are uncomfortable playing in a group, feel free to have them roll on their own and write down their responses.

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Groups can play either that all students must use the first vocabulary word on your list before moving on to the second word or that each student in turn uses the next vocabulary word on the list.

- 1 Use the word in an example sentence.
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- 1 Make up an end to a story using the word
- 2 Describe your perfect day using the word
- 3 Describe your favorite animal using the word
- 4 Explain the meaning of life using the word
- 5 Argue what is the best kind of food using the word
- 6 Explain why this class is awesome using the word

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