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Activity Idea

ALPHABET BINGO

Recommended for Ages 4+

Alphabet Practice Activity

The four components of letter recognition are the ability to recognize the shape and size of the letter, recognizing that the shape of the letter is associated with a letter name, determining what sound corresponds to the shape or name of the letter, and the ability to trace or write the letter with a pen in accordance with its shape and direction. Including your child in the set-up of alphabet bingo will promote all four components of letter recognition.

Supplies Needed:

- Construction paper
- Marker
- Sharpie
- Magnetic or puzzle piece letters
- Pom poms
- Two bowls

Instructions:

First, cut the construction paper into equal small sized cards. Using the ruler measure and draw out the bingo grid 3x5 or 5x5. You can choose to give a free space in the middle. Create one card for every player. Randomly write letters on the grid. Do not write all the same letters on each card (see example below).

If you have magnetic or puzzle piece letters you are ready to play. If you do not have letters, make them with the construction paper. This is how the bingo caller will pick the letter. Place the letters in the bowl.

Fill one bowl with the pom-poms and the other bowl with the letters. Place the pom-poms in the center of the players and the bowl of letters near the bingo caller. Have every player select a bingo card. The game is now set up.

Have the caller close their eyes and pick a letter from the letter bowl. Once they call out the letter, players may cover that letter on their card with a pom-pom. First player to cover their board with pom-poms wins.

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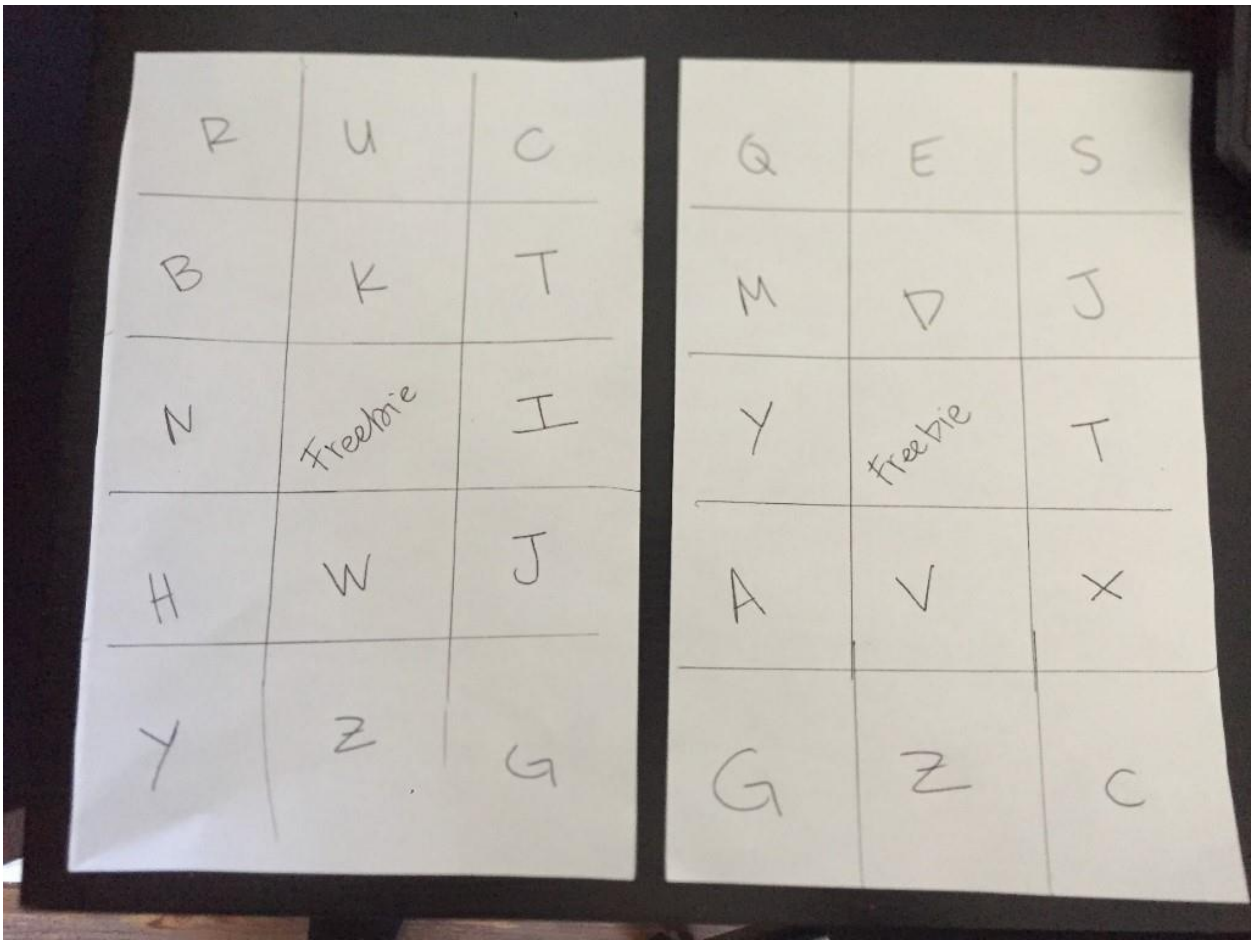

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