Vocabulary

Category Clues

✎ Objective

The student will produce categories for words.

✎ Materials

- ▶ Category cards (Activity Master V.028.AM1a - V.028.AM1b)
- ▶ Student sheet (Activity Master V.028.SS1)
- ▶ Pencils

✎ Activity

Students categorize related words and label them.

1. Place category cards face down in a stack. Provide each student with a student sheet.
2. Taking turns, student one selects the top card. Reads the words on the card to student two (e.g., tsunami, hurricane, tornado).
3. Student two says a word or phrase that best categorizes all the words (e.g., disastrous events or weather words with three syllables). Places card in a discard pile.
4. Record label for each category on the student sheet.
5. Reverse roles and continue until all the cards are used and identified.
6. Teacher evaluation

"Tsunami, hurricane, tornado."

tsunami
hurricane
tornado

"These are disastrous events."

Name _____

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	disastrous events		
monitor Internet memory	tsunami hurricane tornado	newspaper television radio	sneakers loafers boots
moon planet satellite	apartment palace house	~~port~~ trans~~ portable~~	rain snow hail
screwdriver hammer pliers	pulley screw lever	mechanic pysician police officer	sand shoreline sunshine
plants humans animals	cereal vegetable condiment	mountains volcanoes islands	post office hospital library

✎ Extensions and Adaptations

- ▶ Sort some of the category cards and label (i.e., apartment, palace, house; post office, hospital, library are all buildings).
- ▶ Write more category cards (Activity Master V.001.AM4).
- ▶ Record other categories and related words (Activity Master V.028.SS2).

monitor Internet memory	tsunami hurricane tornado
newspaper television radio	sneakers loafers boots
moon planet satellite	apartment palace house
rain snow hail	import transport portable

screwdriver hammer pliers	pulley screw lever
mechanic physician police officer	sand shoreline sunshine
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category cards

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Name _____

category	category	category
_____ _____ _____	_____ _____ _____	_____ _____ _____
examples	**examples**	**examples**
1. _____	1. _____	1. _____
2. _____	2. _____	2. _____
3. _____	3. _____	3. _____
4. _____	4. _____	4. _____
5. _____	5. _____	5. _____
category	category	category
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