Objective

The student will match initial phonemes to graphemes.

Materials

▶ Initial sound picture cards
  Choose eight-to-ten target initial sound picture cards.
▶ Uppercase or lowercase letter cards
  Choose letter cards that correspond to the initial sound for each target picture card.

Activity

Students pair initial sound picture cards with the corresponding letter while playing a memory game.

1. Place picture cards and letters cards face down in separate rows.
2. Taking turns, students select two cards, name the letter (e.g., “v”) or name the picture, and say its initial sound (e.g., “vacuum, /v/”).
3. Determine if there is a letter-sound match. If there is a match (e.g., “v, /v/”) pick up the cards, place to the side and take another turn. If cards do not match (e.g., “v, /b/”), or if two letter cards or two picture cards are selected, return to their original places, and allow partner to take a turn.
4. Continue until all letter-sound pairs are made.
5. Peer evaluation

Extensions and Adaptations

▶ Put the pictures and cards in alphabetical order.
▶ Match cards by final sound.
▶ Match cards by number of syllables.
▶ Match cards by number of phonemes.
ant, apple, alligator, ax, ape, apron
acorn, alien, beach, banana, backpack, camel
Words Around Us Memory Game

cane, candle, carrot, doughnut, dragon, deer
Words Around Us Memory Game

door, egg, elf, elbow, envelope, equal

2 + 2 = 4
Words Around Us Memory Game

eagle, easel, eat, four, finger, feather
Words Around Us Memory Game

fire, grapes, guitar, gold, glue, heart
Words Around Us Memory Game

- hippopotamus
- horse
- hammer
- inch
- igloo
- ice
- iron
- jump
- juice
- jacket
- jacks
- kangaroo
Words Around Us Memory Game

iron, jump, juice, jacket, jacks, kangaroo
Words Around Us Memory Game

key, kick, kite, ladder, lamp, lion
Words Around Us Memory Game

leash, mailbox, map, mouse, mirror, nail
ostrich, open, oatmeal, pretzel, pillow, pear
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Words Around Us Memory Game

read, rainbow, ruler, sandwich, saw, seven
snake, timer, ten, tire, triangle, umbrella
umpire, unicorn, unicycle, valentine, vacuum, vest
volcano, wagon, wallet, watch, window, yarn
yawn, yo-yo, yak, zebra, zero, zipper
Words Around Us Memory Game

zoo, arm, armadillo, whale, wheelchair, whistle
Words Around Us Memory Game

- web
- shark
- shell
- ship
- shoe
- thermometer
thimble, thorn, thirty, check, chin, cheese
Words Around Us Memory Game

letter cards

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**Letter cards**

**Words Around Us Memory Game**

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