

Let's play...

# MEMORY

## What do I need?

Print and cut out *TWO* of the same sets of cards listed below (select the set you want your students to practice the most):

- Upper and Lower-Case Letter Cards
- Number Cards
- Shape Cards
- High Frequency Word Cards

## How do I play?

1. Gather into a small group with your students.
2. Choose how many cards you want to play with and make sure each card has a pair.
3. Shuffle the pairs of cards together into one deck, and then lay the cards face down on the table.
4. One student goes first by flipping over two cards and naming each card when they turn it over. If the student doesn't know what is on the card, they can say, "Two choices please." You can then give them two choices (e.g., "Is this P or B?"), and the student will try to get the correct answer.
5. If the two cards do not match, the student must flip them back face-down, and the next student takes a turn.
6. If the two cards do match AND the student correctly identifies the cards, they get to keep the cards and take another turn. If the student only correctly identifies one of the two cards, they get to keep the one they identified and put the other one back.
7. The game is over when all the cards are gone. The student with the most cards wins.

## Variations:

- You can play with upper and lower-case letter cards and have students match the letters. *Example: The "A" letter card and the "a" letter card would constitute a pair.*
- You can play with picture cards and letter cards and have students match the beginning sound of the picture with the letter that makes that sound. *Example: The Zebra picture card and the "Z" letter card would constitute a pair.*