

GA 15 Sports – Match and Slap

Vocabulary Item	<p><i>Names of sports:</i></p> <p>baseball, basketball, boxing, motor-racing, football, golf, gymnastics, ice-hockey, ice-skating, skiing, surfing, swimming, tennis</p> <p><i>Places for playing sports:</i></p> <p>beach, course, court, field, gymnasium, pitch, pool, ring, rink, slope, track</p>
Vocabulary Building Strategy	Using knowledge of lexical relations – lexical fields

Activity Description

This activity aims to help students retain vocabulary under the same lexical field, i.e. sport-related words. Students match one of the four word cards on the desk with the word they hear. The first student who slaps on the correct card can get the card. The student who gets the most cards wins.

Materials for Each Group

Two sets of word cards:

1. Set 1 – names of sports
2. Set 2 – places for playing sports

A set of answer keys

Procedures

1. Students play the game in groups of four. Each group is given a copy of the answer keys and two sets of word cards – one on the names of sports and the other on the places for playing sports.
2. Students choose one set of word cards to start with. One of them will be the dealer who draws at random four cards from the card set and places them on the desk with the words facing upward.

3. The dealer refers to the answer keys and reads out the name of a sport which is related to one of the word cards on the desk. For example, the four word cards 'course', 'rink', 'ring' and 'pitch' are put on the desk. The dealer reads out the word 'football'. Then, the other three students have to compete to slap on the correct card.
4. There may be more than one correct answer to match the word. For example, the word 'court' can match with 'basketball' and 'tennis'. However, only the first student who slaps on the correct card can get the card. He/she becomes the dealer who draws another four cards and reads out a word.
5. The game continues until all cards are gone. The student who gets the most cards is the winner.

Word Cards – Match and Slap



Name of Sports

Baseball

Boxing

Motor-racing

Football

Golf

Gymnastics

Ice-skating

Ice-hockey

Skiing

Surfing

Swimming

Tennis

Basketball

Place for Playing Sports

Beach

Course

Court

Field

Gymnasium

Pitch

Pool

Ring

Rink

Slope

Track

(Answer Keys)

<i>Name of Sports</i>	<i>Place for Playing Sports</i>
Baseball	Field/Pitch
Boxing	Ring
Motor-racing	Track
Football	Field/Pitch
Golf	Course
Gymnastics	Gymnasium
Ice-skating	Rink
Ice-hockey	Rink
Skiing	Slope
Surfing	Beach
Swimming	Pool/Beach
Tennis	Court
Basketball	Court