

Class 9

Flip a Card

Rationale: Students develop vocabulary and, at higher levels, practise proper word order by forming sentences.

Materials: standard deck of playing cards

Method: For each card from Ace to King, assign two letters of the alphabet, and write these on the board. Assigning letters can be done at random, but it is logical to have some sort of order, For example,

A	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	J	Q	K
A	B	C	D	E	F	G	H	I	J	K	L	M
N	O	P	Q	R	S	T	U	V	W	X	Y	Z

Taking turns with each card flipped, students orally form grammatically and syntactically correct sentences. For example:

Cards: A, Q, K, Q, K, 6, 8, 7, 5, 4, 4, 10, 2, K, 2, 2, 8, 9, A, 7

Sample sentence: A lovely monkey laughed merrily, for his green elephant drank quickly while orange zebras brought over hungry, intelligent, naughty giraffes.