

60 Second Games

Ladder Game

Give children an initial word which they need to build upon by using the final letter of a word to begin the next. How long can your ladder get in 60 seconds?

Favourite Books

Take a title of a book and write one word per line e.g.

ROOM

ON

THE

BROOM

Develop each line into a sentence that describes the book

ROOM to seat the witch, the cat, the frog and the dog

ON the broomstick they flew away

THE witch had a cat and a very tall hat

BROOM was snapped in two!

A to Z

Write the alphabet down then give children a heading or category to complete in 60 seconds

Random Words

Choose a book.

Ask children for numbers; 1st number gives you a page to turn to

2nd number gives you a line

3rd number (small) selects a word

Repeat two or three times to collect words then put them into random sentences over 60 seconds.

Creative Connections

A good game to encourage children to generate words and ideas rapidly. Give children a word and ask them to write down as many words as they can think of that are associated with it.

Ink waster

To warm up the brain and get into a creative mood give the children a topic and ask them to write as much as they can in one minute. Time them and ask them to count the number of words then try again with another topic. They should write as rapidly as possible.

Animal game

Make a list of animals. The children have to write a sentence about each one - as playful as possible creating alliterative sentences e.g. *The tiny tiger tickled the terrified terrapin's two toes with torn tinsel.*