

Red Dog, Blue Dog

Contents:

4 lotto boards, 24 picture cards

Object

To be the first player to fill their playing board with the correct matching cards.

To play

- Each player chooses a playing board.
- The picture cards are spread out face downwards on the table.
- The youngest player begins by turning over one of the cards.
- If the card matches a picture on the player's board, they place it over the same picture on their board. If the card does not match, it is returned to the table, face downwards. Play then moves on to the next player.

The winner

The winner is the first player to cover all the pictures on their board with matching cards.

For older children

- Each player chooses a playing board.
- The picture cards are shuffled and placed in a central pile, face downwards on the table.
- The youngest player begins by taking the top card from the central pile on the table. They then show the card to the other players. Players then look at their playing boards to see if they can make a match. If a player has a matching picture, they read the picture's description aloud and place the card over the space on their playing board.
- Play then continues in a clockwise direction until one player has filled all the spaces on their playing board. That player is then the winner.

Sorting activity

Spread the cards out on the table, face upwards. You can then ask your child to find all the cards of the same type: i.e. all the cards with something blue on them, or all the cards with pictures of teddies.



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