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4 habitat playing boards, 36 animal picture cards

Object

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

Remember to show the players that:

- · Each playing board represents a different environment.
- Each animal group is native to a specific habitat.

To play

- · Each player chooses a playing board.
- The small 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 show the card to the other players and name the animal out loud.
- Players then look at the animals on their playing board to see if they can make a
 match. If a player has a matching picture, they shout out the animal's name 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.

The winner

The winner is the first player to fill all the animal squares on their board.

Other Games and Activities

Memory Game

- Each player chooses a playing board.
- The small 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 an animal on the player's board, they place it over the same animal 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 is the first player to cover all the animal squares on their board.

Sorting Activity

 Young children could also use the cards without the playing boards and try to sort the animals into the correct habitat groups.

Animals

Desert: camel, ostrich, meerkats, scorpion, lizard, vulture, snake, armadillo and kangaroo Ocean: crab, dolphin, turtle, starfish, swordfish, angelfish, whale, seahorse and octopus Jungle: frog, elephant, chameleon, hippopotamus, parrot, tiger, toucan, crocodile and baboon Polar Lands: albatross, seal, husky, polar bear, moose, puffin, penguin, arctic fox and walrus



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