

Game Cards Vol.3

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Ideas for the Game Cards

Taboo card game is very popular all around the world. It is possible to buy the original taboo game or to find many cards that were prepared by some devoted teachers. I just wanted to contribute English teaching and learning community by preparing and sharing my own cards.

At first, I had planned to use the cards for taboo game but then I also started to use them for different games and activities. It is possible to play the games below without using any cards. However, I think it is better to give them some cards that have pictures and nice designs.

1 Mime

I have observed that most learners have difficulties to use gestures and mimics while talking. They usually hide their hands and speak without using them as they do not feel relax. To overcome this problem, I make them play mime game. Give them a card and ask them to tell it without speaking.

2 Pictionary

Choose the cards that can be related to topics you will teach. Divide them into groups, set the time, and ask them to tell the words by drawing.

3 Storytelling

Make them choose five (or as many as you want) cards, and ask them to create a simple story by using any words on the cards.

4 Memory

Choose ten cards and put them on the table. Let your students look at them for 15 seconds. Then turn them back and ask your students to write or tell the objects on the cards.

5 What is the question

Show a card and ask them to make a reasonable question for the taboo word. They can use forbidden words, too. Then, try to omit those words and rebuild the question. This is a good way to practice asking question skill and also it can be really useful while playing taboo game.

6 Chain Story

Take one card from the deck and then give each student one card. Start a crazy story by using the words on your card and ask them to continue the same story by using the words on their own cards.



QUEEN

king
prince
palace
England



RAINCOAT

wear
protect
umbrella



REGRET

mistake
sorry
false
I wish



RING

hand
finger
wedding



ROBBERY

bank
rob
thief
police



ROSE

red
love
flower
romance



SECRET

tell
keep
nobody



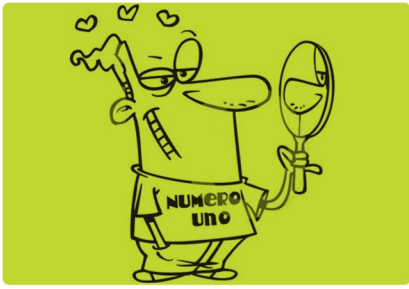
SCISSORS

cut
paper
cloth
tool



SEAT BELT

car
traffic
safety
police



SELFISH

egoistic
self-centered
always
want

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SHERLOCK HOLMES

detective
English
story
mystery

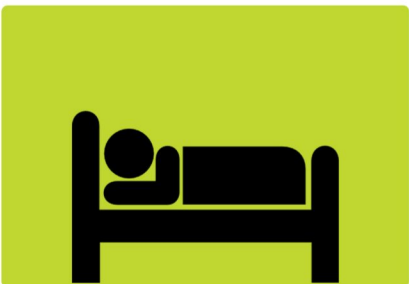
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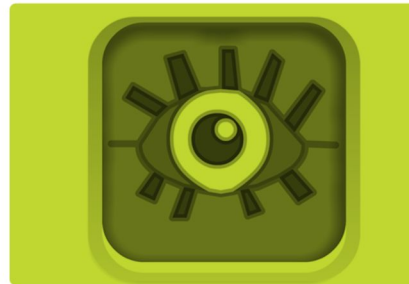
voice
high
scream
angry

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SLEEP

bed
tired
night
get up



SIGHTSEEING

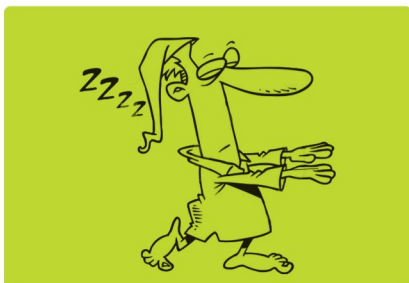
tour
visit
travel
tourist

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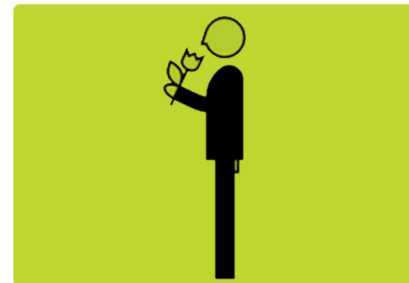
SKIRT

girl
short
woman
clothes



SLEEP WALKING

bed
awake
get up
eyes closed



SMELL

nose
scent
stink

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SNOW WHITE

cartoon
seven dwarves
princess
prince charming



SPOON

fork
knife
soup

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SOAP

water
clean
wash

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SPIDER

man
legs
climb
animal



SUBWAY

go
train
station
underground



STATIONARY

pencil
notebook
shop
buy

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STRESS

job
busy
angry
depression

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SUIT

wear
clothes
business

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SUN

hot
day
moon
night



SUPRISE

unexpected
excited
party

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TAJ MAHAL

grave
wonder
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SWIMMING POOL

sport
water
summer
bikini



TABLE

sit
eat
legs
work



TERRORIST

kill
plane
bomb
September 11th



TALKATIVE

speak
a lot
talk
Quiet



TEAR

cry
drop
water
unhappy

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TOILET

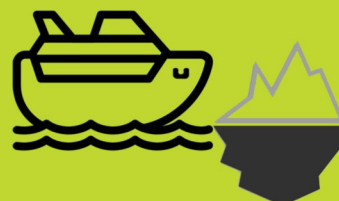
WC
relax
water
toilet paper



TIE

suit
shirt
man
wear

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TITANIC

ship
crash
iceberg
leonardo di caprio



TOURNAMENT

win
award
champion
competition

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TOM AND JERRY

cat
chase
mouse
cartoon



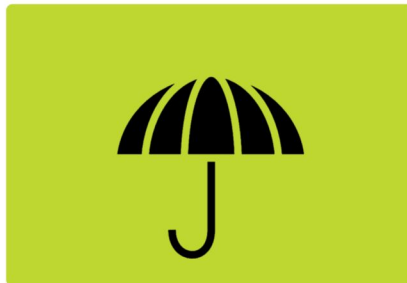
TOOTHBRUSH

clean
brush
bathroom
go to bed



TOWEL

dry
beach
shower
bathtub



UMBRELLA

rain
open
under
weather



VIOLIN

play
music
orchestra
instrument



VAMPIRE

blood
bite
Twilight
Dracula



WAITER

food
cafe
order
restaurant



WALLET

ID
bag
carry
money