

Language Arts Games

Mixed Up Sentences Game:

Teacher/parent prepares the following sentences which describe the steps in planting a flower, each on a separate strip of cardboard:

- Use a hoe to loosen the dirt.
- Mix fertilizer with the dirt.
- Dig holes in the ground with a trowel.
- Put a flower into each hole.
- Water the flower.
- Pull out any weeds that grow.

Children try to put the sentences into the proper order.

Alternate version:

Divide children into small groups. Each group receives the WORDS from one sentence (each word on a separate piece of paper or cardboard), with the first word capitalized and the last word followed by a period. Each group tries to build a proper sentence from their words. When all groups have finished, class works together to put the sentences into proper order to describe how to plant and care for a flower.

Match the Tools Game:

Holly's Dad says "There are many different kinds of tools. You just need to find the ones that work for you."

Teacher/parent shows pictures of various gardening tools and artist's tools. Also show the gardening shed and the art studio from Holly Bloom's Garden. Kids decide which tools are used in which place.