



Home: Games

Key Vocabulary:

Checkers

Uno

Dominoes

Go Fish

Cards

My turn

Your turn

Win

Lose

Cards

Forwards

Backwards

Diagonal

Skip

Reverse

Jump

Do you have?

Lesson Overview:

Students will learn games they can play with friends and family at home or out. Games are a great way for seniors to connect with their friends, family, including children and grandchildren, as well as keep their minds active. They can play to relieve boredom, and as an activity to do when spending time with others. The limited vocabulary needed to play the games used in this lesson will be taught, as well as phrases used in all game playing, such as *My turn, your turn*, etc. A visit to a local senior or community center will be arranged, and information on where to find these resources in their own neighborhoods will be given.

Objectives:

- Students will socialize through ESL classes, including games and activities.
- Students will learn the rules of traditional games to play with their family and friends.

Materials:

This lesson teaches Checkers, Go Fish, Uno, & Dominoes.

- 1-2 checker boards
- Deck of cards (jumbo print is best)
- Uno card game
- Dominoes (with large, easy to see tiles)
- Direction cards for each game, Vocabulary list
- Animal picture cards for charades – These are available at many dollar stores, or can be printed for free from sites such as <http://esl-kids.com/flashcards/animals.html>

*** This lesson would benefit from extra volunteers, so that several games can be introduced and played simultaneously.