



SORTING GAME

Aim:

- sorting the same material into different types of groups
- explaining reasoning for groupings

Materials: selections of pictures, objects, words, sentences...

Instructions:

- players are given a selection of pictures (or objects, words, or sentences...)
- the players can work individually or in pairs or groups
- they put the pictures (or objects...) into groups and give reasons why they have sorted them in this way.
- the same pictures (objects, words...) can then be sorted again, but in a different way.

Groups can have a competition to see which group can find the most ways of sorting the same pictures (objects, words...) and are also able to explain the thinking behind the sorting. In this way pupils practise sorting (classifying), reasoning, finding similarities and differences between things and noticing different points of view.

The materials used can relate directly to school subject matter.