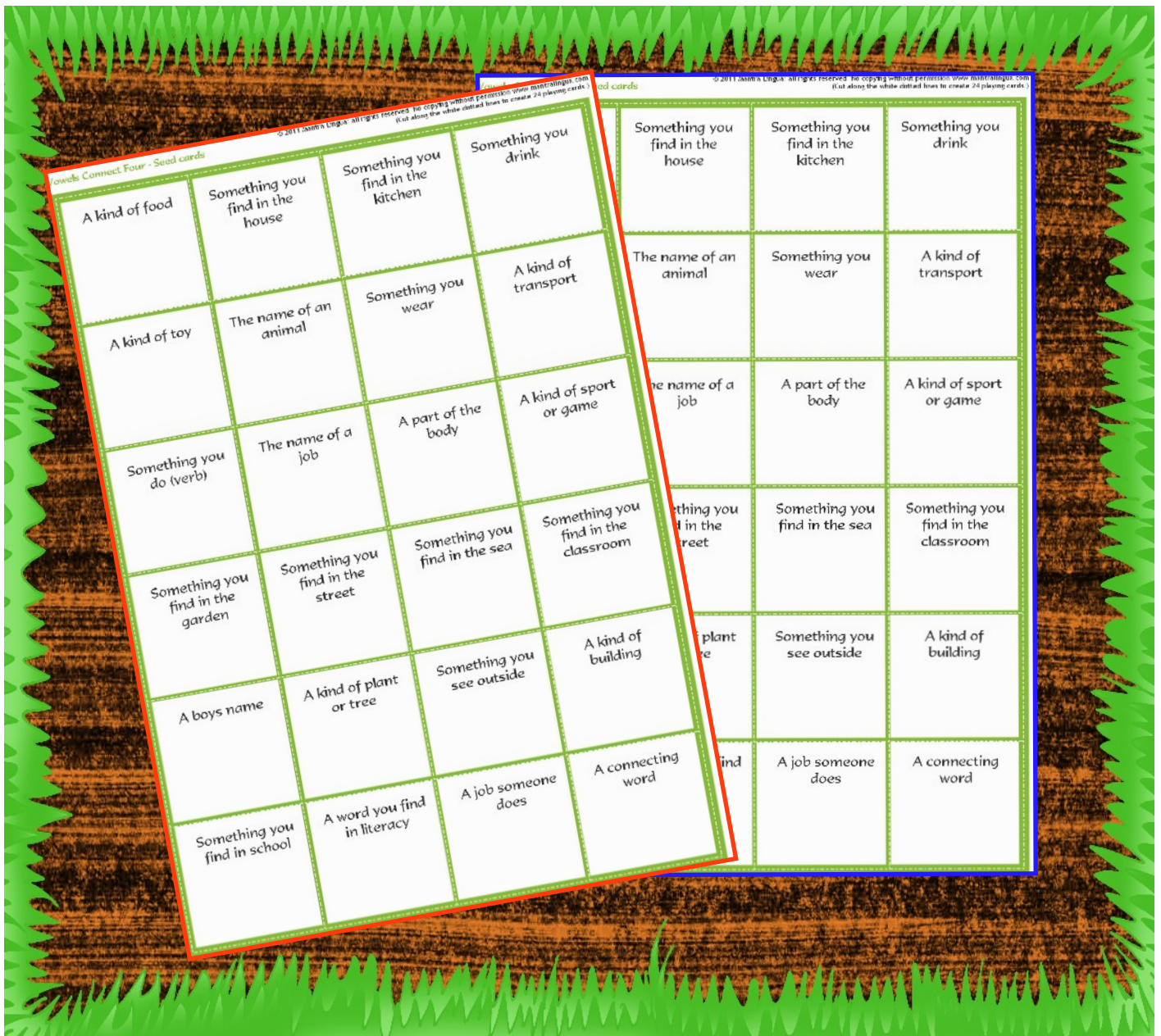


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Suitable for pupils aged 5 +

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Theme: Vowels and Spelling

Age range: 5+

Context:

Spelling and phonics are a vital part of learning English and we have devised here a fun way for pupils to practise their vowel sounds and link them to the vowels used in various words. The game also encourages the development of the pupils' vocabulary by making them think of their own words and how to spell them.

The game board has been designed to look like a seed bed and the vowel cards to be the seeds. If you add different cards please send them to the address below for expanding our library.

Preparation:

Print out the A4 sheets.

If possible, laminate the Game Board and cover the two Vowel 'seed' pages with 'clear pvc self adhesive film'. Then cut out the squares to make the Vowel Cards.

HOW TO PLAY:

You need four players, one Game Board and two sets of Vowel Cards (different colour borders).

Work with a partner to make a team of two.

Shuffle your team cards and place them in a pile face down.

Take it in turn to turn over your top card and try to think of a word. Write it on the back of the card with a washable pen and place it on the board on top of the vowels used in the word. Everyone has to agree that the word fits the right vowels on the board. The team with the first four cards in a line either vertically, horizontally or diagonally wins.

Learning Outcomes:

Pupils will have developed their literacy skills by practising the use of vowels and spelling. If you have found further learning outcomes please share them by emailing collaborate@mantralingua.com, quoting LitVCFo1.0

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(You can purchase a professionally printed, sound-enabled version of this activity with pre-cut cards from www.mantralingua.com. Students can use PENpal to record and re-record aurally onto the pages and cards. Recordings can be saved and used for assessment, or shared with other classes and schools via "ShareLINK".)

A kind of food

Something you
find in the
house

Something you
find in the
kitchen

Something you
drink

A kind of toy

The name of an
animal

Something you
wear

A kind of
transport

Something you
do (verb)

The name of a
job

A part of the
body

A kind of sport
or game

Something you
find in the
garden

Something you
find in the
street

Something you
find in the sea

Something you
find in the
classroom

A boy's or girl's
name

A kind of plant
or tree

Something you
see outside

A kind of
building

Something you
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A word you find
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