

# Summer Flash Card Fun

Forget about dull, boring drills! Flash cards are the perfect hands-on manipulative for a variety of language learning games. Just print, cut, & play!

Picture flash cards are most effective for language learners, as they build strong associations between images and words or expressions. **AVOID** translation! Print off the French and Spanish summer fun flash cards on the following pages and play some of these games:

**Fly Swatters** An oldie but a goodie! Place picture flash cards on the floor, desk, or posted to a wall. Two competitors arm themselves with a fly swatter and attempt to be the first to tap the correct card when described by a caller. For an added challenge, try spinning around two times before the tap!

**Hit It!** Students sit in small groups of 3-4. Each group receives one set of picture flash cards. Students lay the cards facing up on the desk or floor. The teacher calls out a vocabulary word, either alone or in a sentence. The first student in each group to hit the correct picture keeps it for a point. Continue with a new word until none are remaining. Determine a winner from each group and play again.

**Matching Practice** Partners receive one complete set of flash cards, both pictures and words. They compete against the rest of the class, trying to be the first to correctly match picture to word.

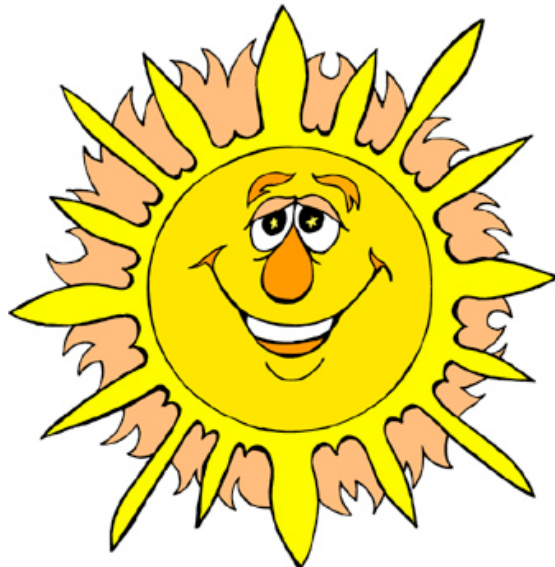
**Concentration** Partners receive one complete set of flash cards, both pictures and words. One student shuffles the picture flash cards and places them face down on the desk or floor; the other student shuffles the word flash cards and places them face down on the desk or floor. Take turns flipping over one picture and one word flash card, identifying both orally in the target language. If players find a match, they can keep the pair and take another turn. The player with the most matches wins.

**Trading Cards** Each student receives one picture flash card. Students circulate around the room, asking classmates something about that card: What is it? Do you like/play/eat it? etc. After they ask/answer a question, players trade cards and continue on to talk to another person.

**Go Fish** Students sit in small groups of 4-5. Each group receives a set of picture flash cards with at least three identical copies of each picture! Shuffle the cards and deal 5 cards to each player. Place the extra cards in a middle pile. Players take turns asking one person in the group if he or she has a particular sport. If so, that player must surrender the card(s). If not, say “Go Fish” in the target language. Once players obtain three matching cards, they set them down. The game is over when someone runs out of cards. The person with the most matches wins.

**Small Group Bingo** Students sit in small groups of 4-5. Each group receives one set of picture flash cards; each individual receives one blank Bingo grid and fills it in with vocabulary words. Shuffle the picture flash cards and place them in the middle. Players take turns choosing a picture flash card, identifying it, and saying it in a sentence. Any player who had that vocabulary word written down on their grid may check it off. The first player to check off every word on their grid wins!

**Tic Tac Toe**. Partners receive a blank tic tac toe grid and one complete set of flash cards, both pictures and words. Divide the flashcards between the partners: one player gets pictures, the other words. Now, instead of X’s and O’s you have pictures vs. words. Take turns placing cards onto the tic tac toe grid. Players must use the vocabulary word in a complete sentence (i.e. express a preference, describe, state an opinion, etc.) and then place it in an empty square. The first player to get three in a row wins. Trade flash cards and play again.



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## French Flashcards



la piscine



la glissade



les balançoires



la bicyclette



playground

la cour de  
récréation



le ballon de plage



le seau et la pelle



le skateboard

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## Spanish Flashcards



la piscina



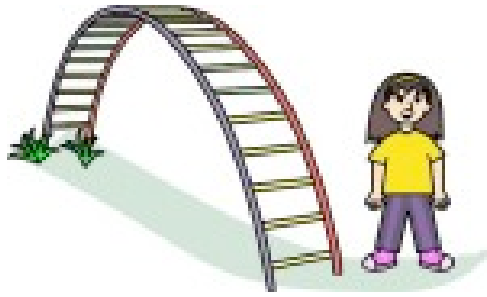
la desliza



los columpios



la bicicleta



playground

la trepadora



El balón de la  
playa



La pala y la  
cubierta



el monopatín