

Special Guide for Parents with older children

Switching roles

Once your child can name all of the items, switch roles and have your child spread out the "Seek Me" cards, draw the "Find Me" card and tell you what object you need to find. As you turn over cards, say things like "What did I find under this card? Is it a match?" Let your child tell you if you are right.

Create your own combinations

You can mix and match the cards to further develop your child's vocabulary and matching skills. Below is one example of a collection of cards you could compile to help teach colors:



Special Guide for Parents when playing with more than one child

Practice taking turns

Following the original instructions, ask one child to find an object. If the incorrect card is chosen, return the card to its spot on the floor and ask the next child to find the same object. Children will enjoy taking turns and cheering for one another when the correct card is found.



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2 or more players

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Introduction

Seek-a-Boo is the fun and exciting way to build your child's vocabulary and improve memory skills with repetition. Your active toddler will love moving from circle to circle, peeking under each one, looking for a match to your "Find Me" card.

How To Play

1. Choose six circular "Seek Me" cards with the same color border. Each border color represents a different learning category:



2. Collect the six square "Find Me" cards with the same border color as the "Seek Me" cards you selected.
3. Scatter the "Seek Me" cards across the floor with the images facing down.
4. Choose the top card from your "Find Me" deck. Show the picture to your child and ask him or her to find the object. Say "Can you find the apple?"
5. Direct your child to the cards on the floor and as your child peeks under the cards ask, "Did you find the apple?" If the card isn't a match, name the object and encourage your child to try again. You can say "No, you found a fish! Try the next card." If the card is a match, name the object with excitement. Say "Yay! You found the apple!" Have your child bring you the matching card and continue rewarding with hugs, applause and praise.
6. Choose the next card in your "Find Me" deck and ask your child to find the next object. Continue playing until all matches have been found.

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Begin with fewer cards

For very young children, using all six cards from a category may be too difficult. Start with only three cards and see how well your child is able to find the objects. Add cards as your child's matching ability develops.

Preview the cards

Before you place the "Seek Me" cards face down on the floor, show each picture to your child and identify each image. This preview can help toddlers understand the correlation between your card and the cards on the floor.

Compare each match

After a "Seek Me" card has been turned over, have your child bring the card to you to compare to your "Find Me" card. Lay the cards side by side to see if they match. If they are not a match, point out the differences between the objects and remove the incorrect circle card from play. Repeat by saying "Let's try again, Find the...". Give lots of encouragement when there isn't a match and lots of praise when the correct match is found!