

Countries



السَّلاَم عَلَيْكُم Countries games and activities

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Preparation

Create the Cards

Write the names of countries in English on one set of cards.

Write the corresponding names in Arabic on another set.

Laminate the cards for durability.

Activity 1: Matching Game

Setup

Spread the English cards on one side of the table and the Arabic cards on the other.

Instructions

Children take turns picking a card from each side to find a matching pair.

When a match is found, the child says both names aloud, practicing pronunciation in both languages. Continue until all matches are complete.

Activity 2: Write and Translate

Setup

Tape or pin the cards (Arabic) to the wall in random order.

Children sit a distance away with their notebooks and pens/pencils.

Instructions

One at a time, children run to the wall, read one word (Arabic), and return to their seat to write it in their notebook.

Repeat until all countries are written in their notebooks.

Once all names are written, they write the Englishtranslations next to each name. **Activity 3: Quick Response Game**

Setup

Hold the English cards in your hand.

Instructions

Show a country's name in English to the

group.

Within 3 seconds, a child must respond, "انا من [country]" (Ana min [country]) in Arabic. Rotate turns quickly to keep everyone alert. For an added challenge, introduce penalties for hesitation or mistakes to make it competitive.

Optional Reward

Celebrate their participation with small rewards (e.g., stickers, stamps, or verbal praise) to encourage enthusiasm.

This sequence combines reading, writing, speaking, and active movement, making it fun and educational!

Activity: "Taste the World" - Country Food Sharing

Preparation

Assign each child (or group of children) a country to represent.

Ask them (with the help of their family) to prepare a simple dish or bread from that country to bring to class.

Provide a list of suggested recipes or foods that are easy to make and culturally significant (e.g., French baguette, Indian naan, Italian pizza, Arabic pita bread).

Classroom Setup

Arrange a table with labels for each country.

Provide small plates, napkins, and serving utensils for easy sharing.

Activity Steps

Presentation

Each child presents their dish, saying:

The name of the country.

What the food is called in both English and Arabic.

A fun fact about the food or the country it comes from (you can help them prepare this part in advance).

Tasting Time

Allow the class to taste the dishes.

Encourage them to use phrases like:

"I like [food name]" (in both English and Arabic).

"This is from [country]" (in both languages).

Cultural Connection

Use this time to discuss the role of food in cultural identity.

Show where the countries are on a map to connect the food to geography.

Follow-Up Activities

Writing Task

Have the children write a short paragraph in English or Arabic about their dish, including:

The country of origin.

Ingredients.

What they liked about it.

Game: Guess the Dish

Hold up the dish or its label and ask the class to guess:

The name of the food.

The country it comes from.

Photo Collage or Recipe Book

Create a collage or a class recipe book with photos of the dishes and their descriptions to share with parents.

Tips for Success

- Ensure dishes are simple and safe for all students (check for allergies or dietary restrictions).
- Encourage creativity while respecting authenticity. Provide support to families if they need help with recipe ideas or preparation.
- This activity is a delicious way to learn about countries while fostering cultural appreciation and teamwork!



المغرب

Palestine

Morroco

Egypt

Saoudi

Iraq

Sudan

السُودَان

السُعُودِيَة

العِرَاق

Tunisia

Libya



يَمُن

نواس

Yemen

Libya

UAE



كويت

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Syria

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