

Picture Pass

Introduction

Players get a phrase and draw a picture, get picture then write a phrase, then pass it along. In the end, everyone compares first to last.

Learning Objective

Kids will gain reading and creative writing skills.

Activity:

- 1 Explain directions and put out enough index cards or papers to play, along with pencils.
- 2 Everyone sits in a circle and takes a stack of index cards or papers equal to the number of players.
- 3 Each player writes a word or phrase on the top card, for example, 'ice cream' or 'I love ice cream,' and passes the whole stack of cards to the right.
- 4 Each player reads the phrase on the top card, then moves that card to the bottom of the stack. The player then draws a picture on the top blank card of the phrase they read (such as an ice cream cone, or a person with an ice cream cone and a big heart).
- 5 Everyone passes the whole stack again to the right.
- 6 This time, players look at the picture on top, move it to the bottom of the stack, then write a phrase that describes the picture on the new blank top card.
- 7 Players keep going until they get their original stack back.
- 8 Everyone compares the original phrase they wrote to the final phrase or drawing. Are they close? How far did it go?

Materials

- ✓ Paper strips or index cards. Each player needs as many blank cards as there are players. For a group of 5, you need 5 cards for each player, or 25 total.
- ✓ Pencils

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