

“Winning” the Game:

With this Bingo game, parents and caregivers have the opportunity to introduce children to many early game concepts, key for later school years:

- Practicing listening skills
- Practicing fine motor skills
- Identifying colors/colours
- Identifying numbers 1-5
- Counting 1-10
- Engaging in both competitive and cooperative play
- Learning vocabulary for animals, objects and concepts from the child's daily world
- Identifying simple shapes
- Understanding comparative concepts: big/small, above/below, open/closed, happy/sad
- Fine and gross-motor skills associated with game play
- Celebrating small and big wins!

When everyone plays together everyone wins!

“One of the things I tell my team is that we have to remember that any one of the books we are working on could be the first book a child ever sees. Whether they learn their alphabet, start counting or even develop a lifelong love of dinosaurs – making a baby's first ever book is quite something.”

- Roger Priddy

“No significant learning occurs without a significant relationship.”

- Dr. James Comer, Professor of Child Psychiatry in the Child Study Center at Yale University's School of Medicine, 1995

Learning occurs not only through interaction with the world around us, but more importantly, through those who teach us – parents and caregivers. Our first 100 series of games is specifically designed to engage very young children and their parents or caregivers, so that these children will associate learning with fun and with quality time with those important to them.

Look for these and other learning games at:



First 100 Words Activity Game
Ages 2 and Up



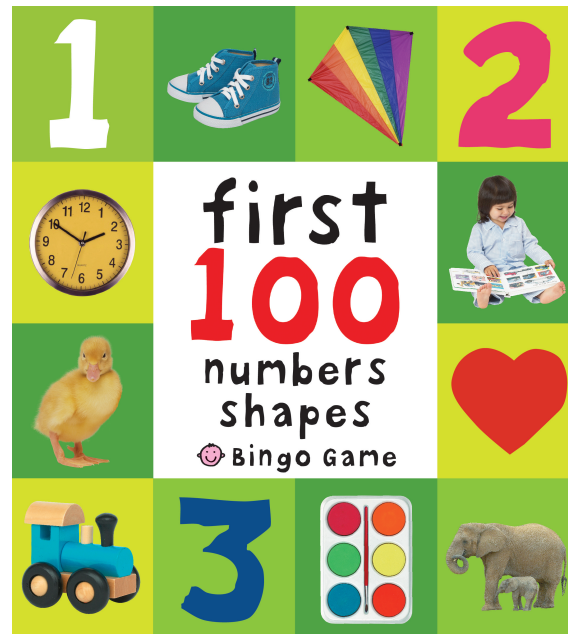
Kids on Stage™ Game
Ages 3 and Up

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Ages 2 and Up
2 to 4 Players



Instructions and Parent Guide

Through fun and simple Bingo game play, children are introduced to simple learning concepts including numbers, shapes, colors/colours and vocabulary.

To review 100 learning concepts covered in this game, visit www.ugames.com/first100numbers

Contents:

- 4 Double-Sided Bingo Boards
- 26 Picture Cards
- 40 Bingo Tokens

Object of the Game:

Players match Picture Cards to pictures on Bingo Boards. The first player to place 4 Bingo Tokens in a row and call “bingo” wins. The images featured on the Picture Cards and Bingo Boards include animals, objects, shapes, numbers and colors/colours.

The First 100 Shapes and Numbers Bingo Game is the perfect first bingo game. This is a simple matching game that can be used in ways that match a child's learning level.

Set Up (to be completed by an adult):

- Before playing the game for the first time, punch out the included Bingo Tokens.
- Give each player a Bingo Board.
- Place Picture Cards face down in a pile in the middle of the table or playing area.
- Place Bingo Tokens in a pile where they are accessible by all players.

How to Play:

This game is designed with many variations possible for young children. It is important to introduce these games gently, with simple goals for success. Feel free to make up rules that work best for players as you play.

BINGO GAME:

Bingo is a game that requires listening, fine motor skills and, in this case, learning simple vocabulary and learning concepts.

- An adult plays the role of the Caller. The adult can either choose to play the game or just play the role of the Caller. The adult takes a Picture Card from the card pile and shows the image on the Card to all players. The adult should describe the words and pictures on the Card. For example, the adult might say, “5 red strawberries” and count the strawberries, “1, 2, 3, 4, 5.” Feel free to add descriptive words to explain what is on each Card.
- All players search their Bingo Boards to find a matching picture. If a player finds a match, then that player places a Token on the matching picture on the Board.
- The adult chooses another Card and repeats showing the Picture Card and explaining what is on the Card. Children again try to find the matching picture on their Bingo Boards.

- As children learn how to play the game, the turn can shift as the child picks a Card and shows it to everyone, describing what is on the Card. For example, a child might say, “bunnies!” Again, players search for a matching image on their Bingo Boards.
- The first player to place 4 Bingo Tokens in a row on their Bingo Board calls “bingo” and wins the game.
- Adults can facilitate learning by reading words on the Cards for kids or describing images on the Cards, adding fun details. In this version of the game, kids focus on matching words, descriptions and images.

SIMPLE MATCHING GAME:

This game is a great way to introduce a young child to the concept of playing Bingo with very simple rules. Some young children will not be able to keep the Bingo Tokens in place on their Bingo Board and this is the perfect version of the game for them. In this game, the object is simply for each player to collect four Bingo Tokens.

- This version of the game plays the same way as the Bingo Game with the adult selecting Picture Cards, then showing the Cards to all players.
- If a player finds a match, then that player places a Bingo Token either on the Bingo Board (anywhere) or in a pile next to the Board.
- Play continues until each player collects 4 Bingo Tokens and calls “bingo!”

COOPERATIVE BINGO GAME:

In this game, all players play together on one Bingo Board. This is a great way for younger players to learn the game of Bingo as they all play on the same team.

- Again, the adult plays the Caller in this game.
- Children work together to find the image on the Bingo Board that matches the Picture Card.
- When players have placed 4 Bingo Tokens in a row on a single Bingo Board, everyone yells “Bingo!”

OPPORTUNITY FOR ADULTS TO ADD LEARNING TO THE BINGO GAME:

Adults leading the games have an opportunity to provide language learning benefits to children playing. Below are suggestions on how to enhance the learning by adding further description to the game:

- When describing objects, we recommend adults add descriptive words to encourage vocabulary development with children playing the game. Here are some examples: two fluffy rabbits, delicious green apples, bright red strawberries, ten striped fish, a kite shaped like a diamond, the pink pig says “oink” and any other embellishments adults can think of.