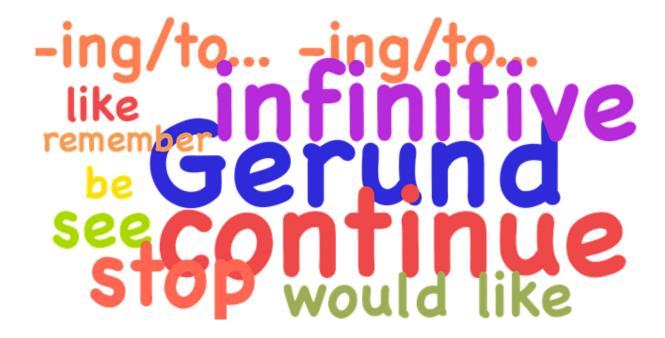
# Vocabulary & Grammar Games



10 Practical Ideas Ready to Integrate into Your Lesson Plans.

## 1. Word Wall Building

**Principle:** Reinforces vocabulary retention through visual display and categorisation. **How it works:** Create a wall space where students add new words under themes (e.g., emotions, food, phonics patterns). Use colour coding for gender, sound families, or verb groups. Rotate weekly or by topic.

#### 2. Grammar Board Games

**Principle:** Makes grammar practice interactive and low stakes.

**How it works:** Use board templates with grammar challenges on each square (e.g., "conjugate 'avoir' in passé composé"). Students play in pairs or teams, earning points for correct answers and pronunciation.

### 3. Vocabulary Charades

**Principle:** Builds expressive vocabulary and kinaesthetic memory.

**How it works:** Students act out vocabulary words (e.g., "danser," "manger," "triste") while peers guess in the target language. Use sound-rich words to reinforce pronunciation and phonics.

#### 4. "Two Truths and a Lie" Grammar Edition

**Principle:** Encourages grammar analysis and critical thinking.

**How it works:** Students write three sentences—two grammatically correct, one with a deliberate error. Peers guess the "lie" and explain why. Focus on tense, agreement, or tricky phonics-based spellings.

## 5. Collaborative Crossword Creation

**Principle:** Reinforces spelling, definitions, and peer teaching.

**How it works:** In pairs, students create crosswords using target vocabulary. Swap with another pair to solve. Use clues based on grammar, phonics, or cultural context.

#### 6. Word Ladder Races

**Principle:** Builds lexical connections and fluency.

**How it works:** Students race to transform one word into another by changing one letter /syllable at a time (e.g., "chat"  $\rightarrow$  "chou"  $\rightarrow$  "chouette"). Use ladders to explore sound shifts or semantic fields.

#### 7. Grammar Snakes & Ladders

**Principle:** Turns grammar review into a playful challenge.

**How it works:** Create a snakes & ladders board with grammar tasks on each square. Students roll dice and complete tasks (e.g., "make a negative sentence," "spot the silent letter"). Use mini whiteboards for answers.

# 8. "Guess the Rule" Challenge

**Principle:** Encourages inductive grammar learning.

**How it works:** Present a set of sentences with a hidden grammar rule (e.g., adjective agreement, reflexive verbs). In pairs, students analyse and guess the rule. Reveal and discuss together.

# 9. Word Category Sorting

**Principle:** Reinforces semantic fields and grammatical categories.

**How it works:** Provide mixed vocabulary cards. Students sort into categories (e.g., nouns/verbs/adjectives, masculine/feminine, sound families). Use sorting mats or grids for visual support.

# 10. Sentence Building Blocks

**Principle:** Develops syntax awareness and sentence fluency.

**How it works:** Provide word cards or strips. Students build grammatically correct sentences in pairs, focusing on word order, agreement, and phonics clues. Challenge them to expand or transform sentences.