

# CONCENTRATION GAME

**Benefits:** To build confidence, concentration, increase memory, eye hand coordination

**Supplies needed:** 2 poster boards, white glue, ruler, two decks of playing cards,

- One deck for making the concentration game
- One deck for matching the cards on the posterboard
- Make certain the cards have the same design. If they are differently designed, it will make the game confusing.

storage bags for the second deck of cards and for the various levels of the card game.



**Object of the game:** To match the cards on the posterboard.

This takes a bit of preparation but is worth it. There are various levels of difficulty that you may make the posterboards. The key, is building self confidence.

**The most challenging:** Glue most of the playing cards to the poster board. Leave off 8-10 playing cards ( do not use these cards)

**How to Play the most challenging version:** Give the player the completed posterboard. Place the second deck of cards on the table. Draw a card and find the match. Place the card face down on the posterboard. When they cannot find a card (one that is not on the board) have them put the card in a discard pile. Continue to play until all the cards from the second deck are gone. Praise their hard work!

**Various levels of difficulty:** Make the posterboards matching the skill level of the person you are working with as follows

- \* **20 cards on the posterboard.** Give the player cards that match and 5 extra cards that do not match. These will be kept in a storage bags and labeled for the game posterboard 2
- \* **10 cards on the posterboard.** Give the player 10 cards that match. No extra cards
- \* **6 cards on the posterboard.** Give the player 6 cards that match. No extra cards

Remember this activity is to build confidence, start off where they will be successful and then build up to more difficulty. Allow them to do the game, try your best not to jump in and save them each turn. If they have success, they will be willing to try other activities you present later. Have Fun!