CONCENTRATION

**Materials:** Duplicate flashcards (words/words, pictures/pictures, words/pictures, words/sentences)

**Description:**
1. Review the words and/or pictures that will be used in this game.
2. Have students sit in a circle.
3. Randomly place all flashcards face down in the middle of the circle.
4. The first person takes a turn. He/she picks one card and turns it face up, then picks a second card and turns it face up as well.
5. If the two cards match, both cards are collected and the turn continues.
6. When two cards do not make a match, that person’s turn is over. Students take turns in this manner until all cards are matched.

**Suggestions:**
Keep flashcards in original positions as they are turned over. This allows memory to be a large part of the game instead of chance.

For adapting the activity to different levels:
- **Beginning:** Have students match pictures to words or simply pictures to pictures. Students should respond with “same” or “different” or a short phrase as they turn up cards.
- **Intermediate:** Encourage more conversation during play by asking questions (“What card is that?”, “What are you looking for?”, “Does that match?”).
- **Advanced:** After a student makes a correct match have the student use the word in a sentence.