

Clever Cat's Colour Match Game

A first colour-matching game

Contents

- * 6 playing boards
- * 48 counters (8 each of the following colours - red, green, blue, yellow, pink and orange)
- * Colour spot die
- * Instructions

This game is suitable for 2-6 players, ages 3 years upwards

Clever Cat's Colour Match Game is a fun way for young children to develop important pre-school skills, whilst playing with the popular characters from Letterland. This game will help to encourage the following skills:

- * Colour recognition
- * Colour matching
- * Colour sorting
- * Letter shape recognition

Preparing to play

Carefully punch out the counters from their cardboard frames. You will need 36 counters (6 of each colour) if you are playing with all 6 playing boards. We've included extra counters in the set as "spares", so keep these in the box in case you need them.

Each player chooses a playing board. Decide how many counters or "balloons" you need, and put them face up in the middle of the table.

Object of the game

To be the first player to cover all the "balloons" on your playing board.

Playing the game

The youngest player starts by throwing the dice. If they throw a blue, they take a blue counter and place it on the matching "balloon" on their playing board. Play then passes in a clockwise direction to the next player, who rolls the dice in the same way, collects a "balloon" and places it on their board.

If you throw a colour that you have already matched on your board, play passes to the next player.

End of the Game

The first player to match all six coloured balloons on their playing board is the winner.

Note for parents and teachers

In addition to developing colour recognition, matching and sorting skills, this game will help young children learn the basic rules of play, which are common to most board, dice and card games:

- * To accept the rules
- * To wait their turn
- * To roll the die once only
- * To play to the end of the game
- * To accept the end of the game
- * To be considerate towards other players

Letterland is the popular literacy scheme that is widely used to introduce young children to the alphabet. 26 of the Letterland characters are featured on the six playing boards, so that children can learn to recognise the letters of the alphabet and see their Letterland friends while they play Clever Cat's Colour Match Game.

Each Letterland character has a name that begins with the letter's correct sound in words. They are:

a	Annie Apple	n	Naughty Nick
b	Bouncy Ben	o	Oscar Orange
c	Clever Cat	p	Poor Peter
d	Dippy Duck	q	Quarrelsome Queen
e	Eddy Elephant	r	Robber Red
f	Fireman Fred	s	Sammy Snake
g	Golden Girl	t	Ticking Tess
h	Hairy Hat Man	u	Uppy Umbrella
i	Impy Ink	v	Vase of Violets
j	Jumping Jim	w	Wicked Water Witch
k	Kicking King	x	Max and Maxine
l	Lamp Lady Lucy	y	Yo-yo Man
m	Munching Mike	z	Zig Zag Zebra

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