

Dominoes with Letter Names

Teacher Instructions

Skill: Letter Names

The purpose of this activity is for students to practice recognizing lowercase and uppercase letters, and reading letter names aloud. You can use this activity in small groups or have students work with a partner.

Note: Feel free to have student say the letter sounds as well!

Materials

- Set of domino cards
- Student recording sheet
- A writing instrument

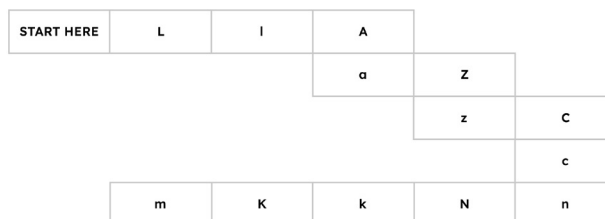
You will need to model this activity with your students before they do it independently. Here are instructions for students.

Say, “Today, we will match lowercase letters to uppercase letters using dominoes.”

Guide them through the following instructions:

1. Find the “START HERE — L” domino and place it on the table face up. Put the other dominoes face down on the table.
2. Each student will draw eight dominoes and place them face up in front of them. Place the remaining dominoes face down on the table.
3. The student who drew the lowercase letter ‘l’ will go first. They will read the uppercase letter ‘L’ on the START HERE domino, and find the matching lowercase letter ‘l’ from their set of dominoes. (If none of the students drew ‘l’ on the first round, they will take turns drawing from the pile until the ‘l’ is drawn and played.)
4. The student should place the matching lowercase letter domino next to the uppercase letter, and say the letter name aloud.

Example of Domino Cards Connected



Domino Cards

START HERE	L
z	C
k	N
o	D

Student Recording Sheet

Ll	Aa	

5. Then all the students will write the uppercase and lowercase letter on their recording sheets.
6. The next student will then try to match one of their dominoes to the unmatched domino on the table, and say the letter name aloud.
7. After each turn, the student will draw a new domino from the deck.
8. If at any time a student doesn't have a matching domino, they will draw a domino from the pile. If it still doesn't match, then the next student tries to make the match from their cards.
9. The students will take turns connecting dominoes until they reach the STOP domino, or the allotted time ends.
10. Students should check each others' accuracy as they read the letters aloud. If a letter is read incorrectly, students should write it on the recording sheet and circle it.

Domino Cards

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	START HERE	L	I	A	a	Z
✂	z	C	c	M	m	K
✂	k	N	n	B	b	O
✂	o	D	d	P	p	E
✂	e	Q	q	F	f	R
✂	r	G	g	S	s	H
✂	h	T	t	I	i	U
✂	u	J	j	V	v	W
✂	w	Y	y	X	x	STOP

Dominoes

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