

# Don't copy me



## Monkey Madness



5 minutes



## Instructions

Get pupils to stand behind desk and push in their chairs.

Arrange pupils into groups of 5 or 6.

Have a stopwatch ready - each category should last 30 seconds (adjust if necessary)

Call out a category of your choice.

Pupils must then name an example that fits the category. This will continue through the whole group.

The trick is, pupils cannot copy each other and say something that has already been said. If they repeat an answer that was already used then they are out and must wait until the next category begins to try again.

## Health & Safety

- Ensure floors are clear of trip hazards
- Ensure pupils leave stationary on the table
- Ensure pupils tuck bags in under the desk
- Remind pupils to keep eyes up and watch where they are going
- Remind pupils of their own spatial awareness
- Give clear instructions

## Teacher Tips

This activity is suited to all ages.

Teachers can use their own categories to make this activity more relevant to a topic(s) that is currently being studied.

See our activity sheet for some examples.

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Call out a category and the pupils must go round the group naming examples that fit that category for 30 seconds.

The trick is, they cannot copy each other and say the same thing more than once or they are out.

Some examples are provided below however, teachers can pick categories that are relevant to a topic the pupils are learning at the moment.

**'Name a type of fruit'**

**'Name a type of vegetable'**

**'Name a colour'**

**'Name a sport'**

**'Name an animal'**

**'Name an item of clothing'**

**'Name a subject in school'**

**'Name a country'**

**'Name a feeling'**

**'Name a mode of transport'**

**'Name an item of clothing you wear in summer'**

**'Name an item of clothing you wear in winter'**

**'Name a planet'**

**'Name a shape with more than 3 sides'**

