This is a talking activity

Resources: For each child - a piece of newspaper.

Show respect and good manners at all times. Teacher/facilitator to insert appropriate instruction.

Step Two

Step One

As a change from ready-made pairing cards you could use matching pairs of regular shapes.

Step Three

Hello, (insert partner's name). I wonder what we are going to do with the newspaper?

Step Four

Ask each child to crush their piece of newspaper into as small and tight a ball as possible.

Then put these on your table/desk and watch them closely. What happens? Think about what you have seen and discuss this with your partner.

Step Five

Children to share their observations (the ball starts to open). What can this teach us about ourselves? (Despite getting angry, stressed out, and/or upset we too will get better).

Question: How can we help each other to improve?

Step Six

Thank you, (insert partner's name) for being my partner today. I like helping others.

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Resources: None.

Step One

Rule and Instruction

Show respect and good manners at all times. Teacher/facilitator to insert appropriate instruction.

Step Two

Randomly Paired

As a change from ready-made pairing cards you could use addition numbers e.g. (5+2 on one card and 7 on its pair); (3+6 and 9) etc.

Step Three

Meeting and Greeting

Hola, (insert partner's name). My favorite thing to eat is

Step Four

Activity

Processing

Teacher writes four pairs on the board that would almost appear to be opposites, or not suitable together e.g. cat/dog. gasoline/fire. lunch box/toilet. shark/swimmer.

With their partner the children have to think about and then discuss why each of the pairs could be dangerous to each other.

Step Five

Children feed back to each other.

Question: Can the children think of another unlikely pair?

Step Six

Thank you, (insert partner's name) that you are sensible.

Don't forget to build in Thinking Time

Concluding "Thank You"