

Hebrew Letter Charades

Hebrew Letter Charades is a game created by Ann Litwack, a teacher and Learning Specialist at Temple Isaiah in Lafayette, California. This charades game works in conjunction with *The Aleph Bet Story Multisensory Chart* which can be found in the online Curriculum Support Section of www.sarahdavid.com. Consider playing Hebrew Letter Charades as a warm-up exercise at the beginning of class or as an extended game.

Goal

Hebrew Letter Charades uses movement to practice the Hebrew letters. The goal of the game is for the students to guess the name, sound and letter features (opening, closings, corners curves, toes and tails) based on the movement being used to represent the letter.

Materials Needed

Hebrew Multisensory Chart (The chart can be downloaded from the Sarah and David website, www.sarahdavid.com, in the Curriculum Support Section, or click here: http://sarahdavid.com/teachers_lounge/charts/mnemonic.htm)

Instructions

1. One student is chosen to be the 1st actor.
2. The teacher assigns a letter, or the student chooses one. The student then acts out the letter's shape and movement.
3. The other students try to guess which letter is being represented. A correct answer includes the letter name, shape and sound.
4. The student who guesses correctly becomes the next actor.
Note: If the same students keep coming up with the correct answer, the teacher might want to give other students a turn.

Example:

The actor holds up his foot and shakes his toes. The correct response would be: "Tav. Tav's toes twinkle with toe polish. 'T' sound".

This game gives students an opportunity to move around while practicing the Hebrew letters.