



The Gigantic Turnip: Happy Families Game

A BAREFOOT LITERACY LESSON FOR AGES 6 – 8
WORD LEVEL WORK: LEARNING ABOUT ADJECTIVES

Let's play a game with adjectives called *Happy Families*. Make a set of cards using the four families below. Use the words given or make up your own words and families.

WHAT TO DO

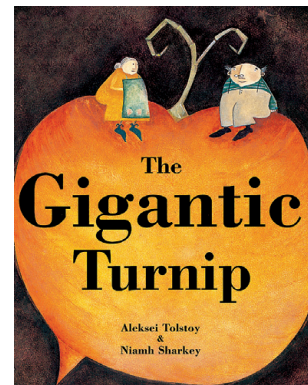
1. The idea of the game is to collect whole families.
2. All of the cards are dealt as equally as possible.
3. Play starts by the first player (usually on the dealer's left) asking for a certain card. The player must already hold one of that card's family and can just ask for one card from one other player.
4. If the other player does not have the card, it is their turn to ask. If they do have the card, they have to pass it to the first player, who can ask again.
5. As players form sets of however many cards you decide is in each family, they place them face down in front. The winner is the first player to group all their cards into sets!

The Four Families: Colors Family, Size Family, Feelings Family, Taste Family

Colors Family	Size Family	Feelings Family	Taste Family
brown	gigantic	hungry	sweet
white	large	sad	cool
speckled	swollen	happy	juicy
green	big	angry	sour
yellow	little	peaceful	hot
black	huge	energetic	spicy



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