

Matching Cards

A free printable matching & memory game for toddlers. Print, cut out, and play — three ways, growing with your child from first matches to a proper memory game.



How to play – by age

18 months–2 years

First matches. Lay 3–4 pairs face-up. Help your little one find the two that are the same, naming each as you go — “dog... dog!” Start with one theme.

2–3 years

Match & sort. Use more pairs. Turn it into a naming and sorting game — group all the animals, all the fruit — and talk about each one.

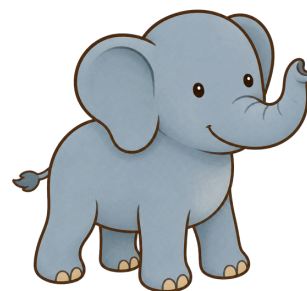
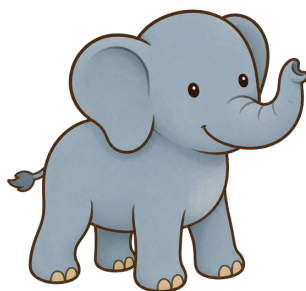
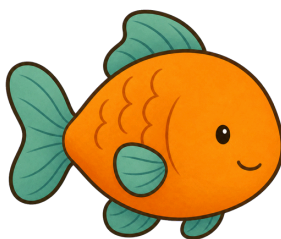
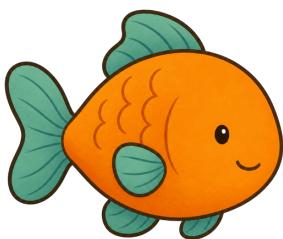
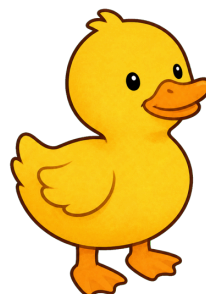
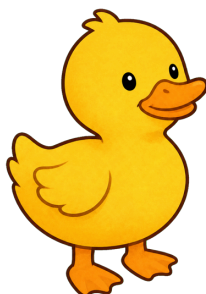
3–4 years

Memory game. Place all cards face-down in a grid. Take turns flipping two; keep the pair if they match. Most pairs wins.

Two sets included: colour cards, and a black-and-white set — lighter on ink, great for travel, and children can colour them in first. **To make them last:** print onto card, or glue the cut-outs onto an old cereal box.

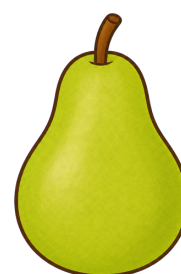
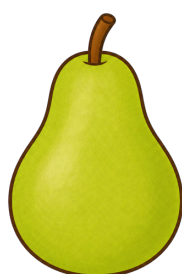
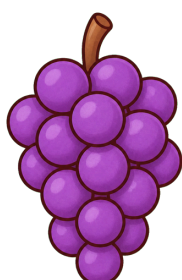
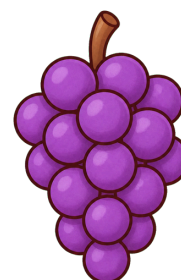
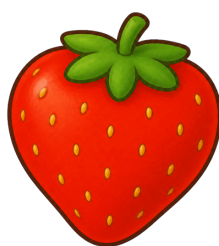
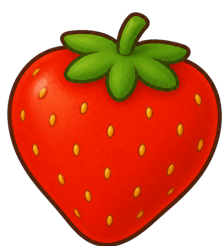
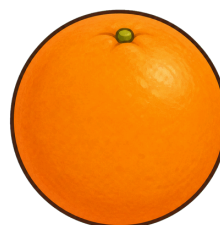
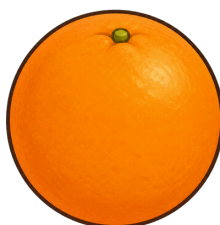
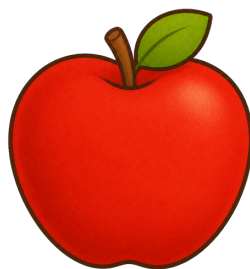
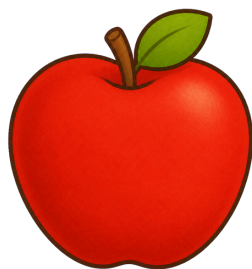
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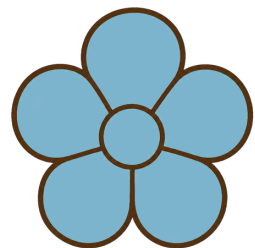
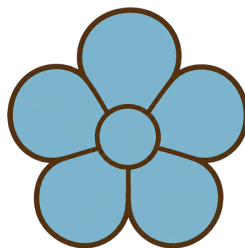
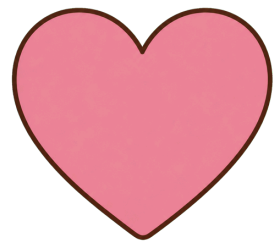
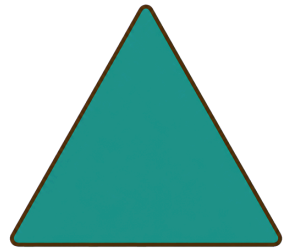
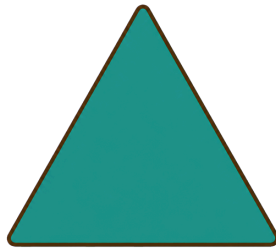
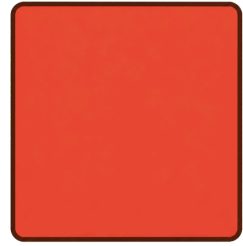
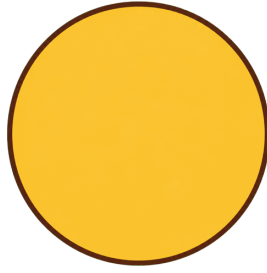
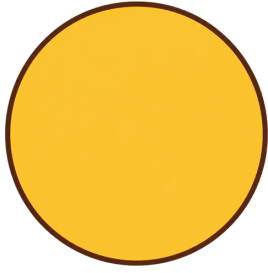
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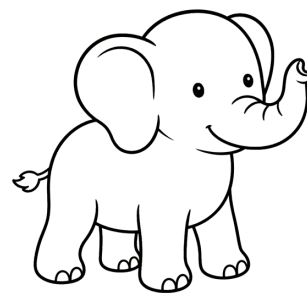
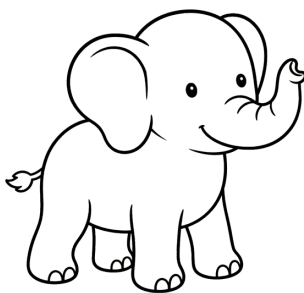
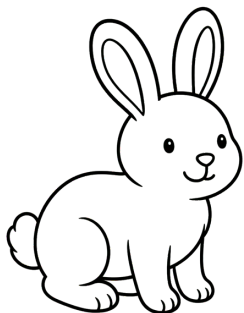
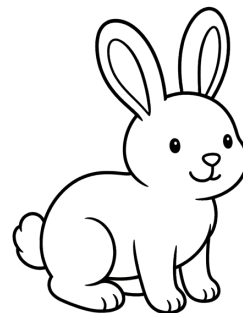
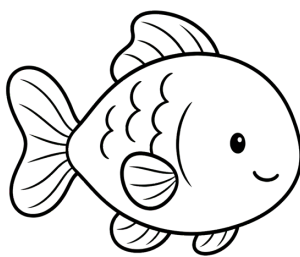
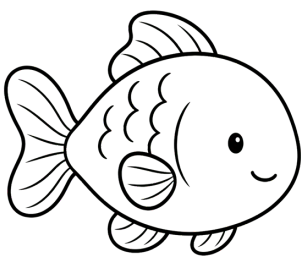
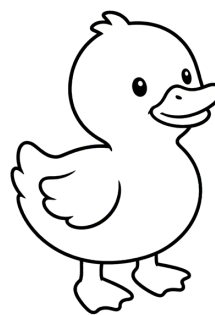
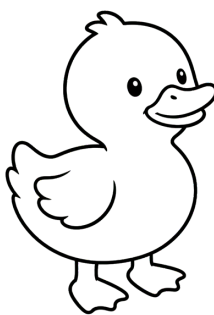
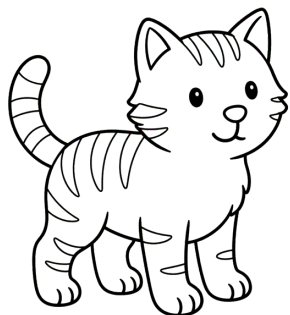
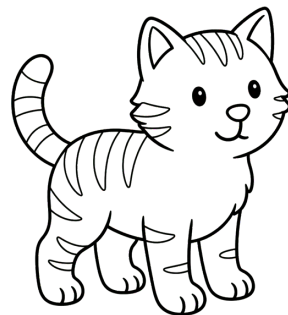
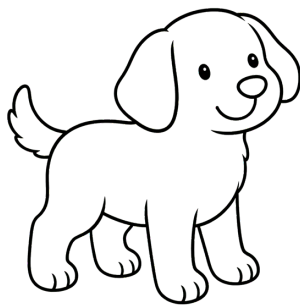
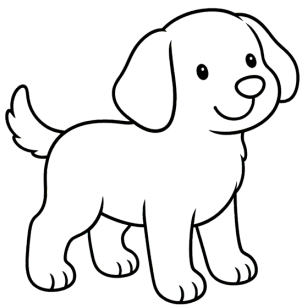
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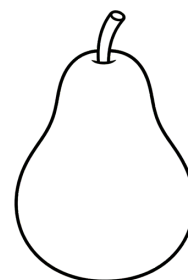
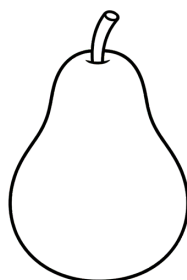
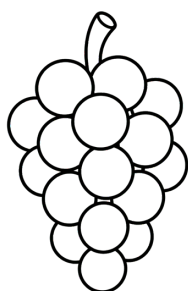
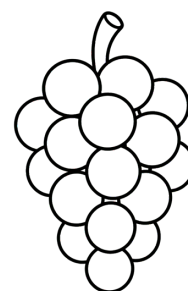
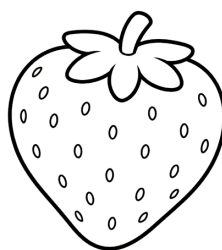
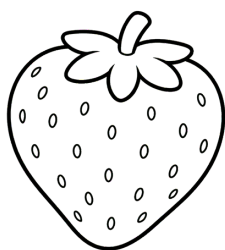
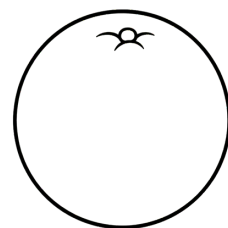
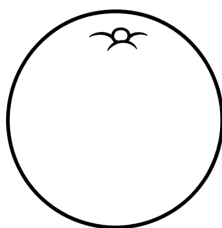
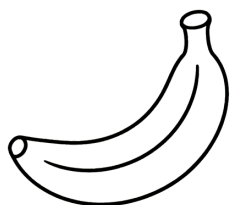
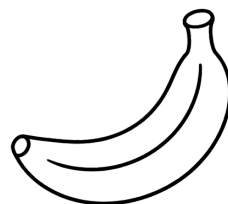
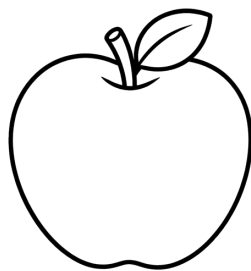
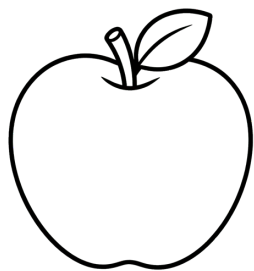
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