

Un leader et un auditeur (Leader and Listener)

Goal: to practice French directions and prepositions

Vocabulary:

À gauche = to the left

Avance! = move forward

Dans = in

À droite = to the right

Recule! = move backwards

Sur = on

En bas = on the bottom/lower

Lance! = throw

Sous = under

En haut = on the top/higher

Tourne! = turn

C'est là! = it's there

Un pas = one step; deux pas = two steps, etc

Arrête! = stop

There are many ways to play this game! Here are a few.

Leader & Listener: Treasure Hunt

Supplies: a space with obstacles or objects, and clear, safe boundaries; a cheat sheet for vocab

How to Play:

1. Students are in partners. One partner is blindfolded, and is the listener. The other is not blindfolded, and is the leader.
2. Once the students are blindfolded, objects are hidden in the classroom, the gym or in the outside space. Students could all be looking for the same object (more competitive), multiple objects, or only their specific object (gives each group an equal chance for using vocab).
3. The leader has to use the French vocabulary to guide their partner towards their object.
4. Once the objects have been found, the partners switch roles.

Leader & Listener: Blindfolded Dodgeball

Supplies: a space with things for throwing, and clear, safe boundaries; a cheat sheet for vocab

How to Play:

1. Students are in partners. One partner is blindfolded, and is the listener. The other is not blindfolded, and is the leader.
2. Blind folded students start in a circle or space with clear boundaries. Items for throwing are placed inside the space with these students (e.g., dodgeballs, bean bags, rubber chickens, foam dice, etc)
3. The leader has to use the French vocabulary to guide their partner towards an object on the ground. Once their partner has an object, they then have to guide them to throw it at another blindfolded player in the circle.
4. If a blindfolded player is hit by a thrown object, they are “out”, remove their blindfold and leave the circle.
5. Once there is only one person not tagged, they win, and the partners switch roles.

Leader & Listener: Obstacle Course

Supplies: a space with obstacles (e.g., trees, pylons, chairs, etc), and clear, safe boundaries; a cheat sheet for vocab

How to Play:

1. Students are in partners. One partner is blindfolded, and is the listener. The other is not blindfolded, and is the leader.
2. Once students are blindfolded, obstacles are moved around in the playing field
3. The leader has to use the French vocabulary to guide their partner throughout the “obstacle course”. If you want to make it harder, each time that a blindfolded partner touches something in the obstacle course, they have to return to the beginning.
4. Once all blindfolded students have passed through the obstacle course, the partners switch roles, and the obstacle course would be changed for the next group.