Noun Concentration

Objective
To distinguish between common and proper nouns

Players
2

You will need
24 index cards, pencils

Before playing
• Write twenty-four nouns on index cards, one noun to a card. Twelve of the cards should show common nouns (four naming a person, four a thing, and four a place). The other twelve cards should show proper nouns (four naming a person, four a thing, and four a place).

How to play
1. One player shuffles the cards and lays them facedown in four rows of six cards each.
2. Players take turns turning over two index cards at a time.
3. If the cards match, the player keeps the pair. The cards must match in two ways: (1) They must both be common or proper. (2) They must both be a person, a place, or a thing.

Examples
Match: girl, teacher (Both are people, and both are common nouns.)
Not a match: city, Canada (Both are places, but city is common and Canada is proper.)

4. If the two cards do not match, the player turns them facedown again.
5. Play continues until all the cards are collected.

Scoring
The player who has more pairs wins.

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