Cross-Country Adventure

Players: 2

You need: 40 sticky notes, the Unit 26 Basic Word list; United States map with large cities identified, pencils, game markers

How to play: Each player tries to be the first to go from Seattle to Miami by spelling Basic Words correctly.

- Players make two sets of sticky notes by writing each Basic Word on the sticky side of two sticky notes. Players then mix up the notes and stick two notes on each of the following cities on the map: Seattle, Portland, San Francisco, Los Angeles, Phoenix, Salt Lake City, Denver, Albuquerque, Dallas, Kansas City, Minneapolis, Chicago, Memphis, Atlanta, Boston, New York, Washington, D.C., Charlotte, Orlando, Miami.

- Each player needs a marker—a math counter or paper clip if the map is on a table or desk, a blank sticky note if the map is on the wall.

- The first player chooses a note from Seattle and reads the word. If the second player spells the word correctly, he or she moves a marker from Seattle to Portland. If the word is not spelled correctly, the second player stays in Seattle. Then the second player picks the other note from Seattle and reads the word aloud for the first player to spell.

- Players continue taking turns, spelling the words on the notes stuck to the map. They must travel along the cities in the order shown above. The first player to reach Miami wins.