

# Letter Bingo

**Recommended for:** Elders and preschoolers (3-5 yrs.)

## **Objectives:**

- Interact/Communicate (verbal/non-verbal)
- Work as a team/Cooperate
- Exercise Motor skills (fine or gross motor)
- Be generative/ Nurturing/ Helpful/ Caring
- Stay on task/Complete an activity
- Be creative
- Learn new terms/Skills
- Have personal choice/ Make decisions

## **Materials needed (per pair):**

- Paper
- Bingo chips or any item to cover the squares
- Marker/pen/pencil
- Letters of the alphabet on small single squares
- Basket or bowl

## **Methods:**

### Facilitator Preparation

1. Write each letter of the alphabet on a piece of paper about 2 inches high and 1 inch wide. After you have filled a sheet of paper with as many letters as possible, cut them out and continue on to another sheet of paper until you have all the letters of the alphabet cut out on squares.
2. Make sure for the letters "M" and "W" to draw a line underneath to designate the correct letter.
3. Prepare BINGO cards by writing BINGO at the top of a sheet of paper and creating a grid of 2x1 squares below.

### Intergenerational Participants

1. Work in adult/child pairs.
2. Child will write letters of the alphabet to fill up the squares, one in each square.
3. Play BINGO by drawing out precut alphabet cards and calling out the letter.

## **Special Considerations:**

- It is important to make letters easily readable by older adults who cannot see well.
- Take caution when using small BINGO chips, marbles, or other item to cover the letters that participants do not swallow them or put them into their mouth.

## **Key Conversation/Facilitation Questions:**

- \_\_\_\_ can you help \_\_\_\_ find this letter on the BINGO card?
- Childs Name what is this letter?
- What letter of the alphabet does your name start with?