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in - ig - id - im - ip

Class Game

This pack of cards contains 20 cards (4 for each of the word families shown).

Instructions:

- Divide the class into 2 teams. Students raise their hands if they would like to make a guess when it is their team's turn.
- Shuffle the cards and show 1 at a time (to the whole class). Only the printed side of the card (with the word family) should be shown. The back side which has handwritten words (see below), should be kept hidden. While showing the word family, the teacher says for example, "I am a word in the **ip** word family". Teams take turns guessing, with the teacher responding: "*Could be, but it isn't*" if it is not this word, or "*Could be, and it is!*" if correct.
- When the word is guessed, the card is given to that team to hold.
- If a team guesses a word that is not in the given word family, the teacher says: "That can't be..." and discusses the differences.
- When all cards have been shown, the teams tally their "points" by counting the cards to find the winner.
- If a team repeats a word or guesses incorrectly, the play moves to the other team.

**** Write these words on the backs of the cards in this game:**

ip: dip hip zip skip

in: fin win bin chin

ig: big pig wig dig

id: did hid kid lid

im: him swim dim trim

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**These are suggestions. Other words can also be used.*

If needed, have lists of words for each word family on display to make the game easier.

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