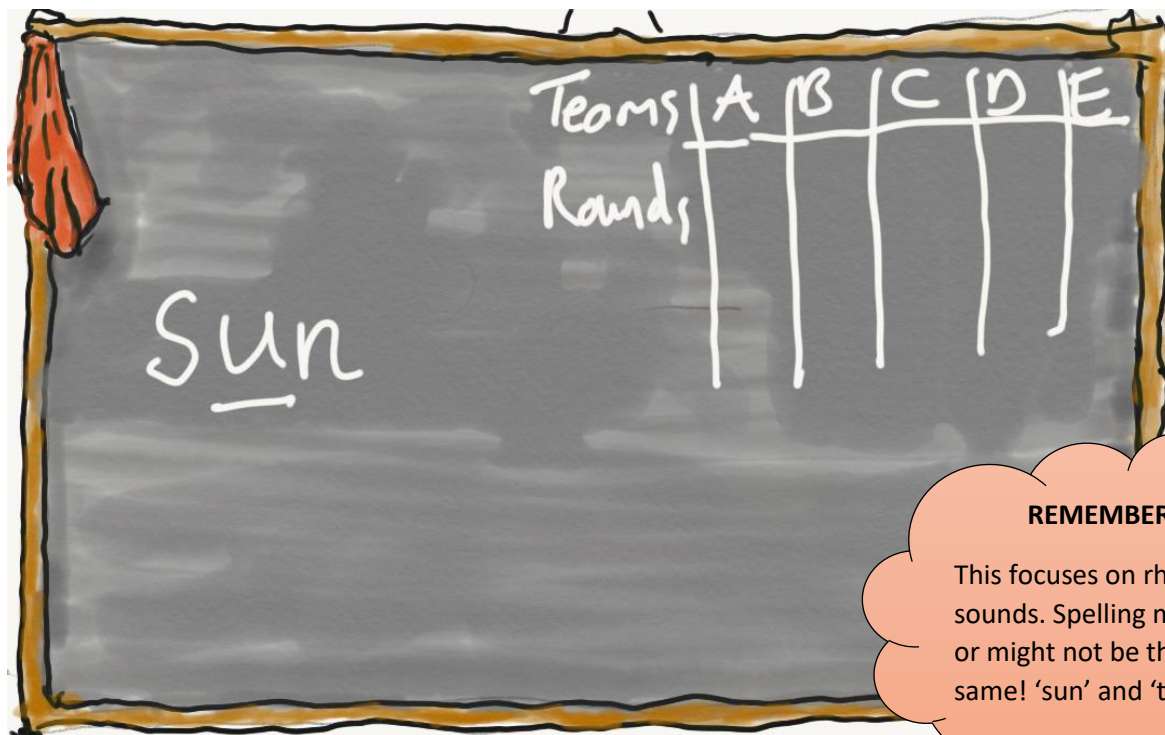




Rhyme the Word!



Game Objective: Pupils practice recalling and matching words with the same vowel sounds.
Game Type: Matching Game
Classroom Organisation: Teams
Language Area: Pronunciation, vocabulary
Useful for: Pronunciation awareness, phonics, vocabulary building, memorizing vocabulary

1. Choose at least 5 words you would like to revise with your pupils (these can be from any unit they have done). Make sure they are one syllable words e.g. 'hot', 'pen', 'ball' and easy to draw!
2. Divide your class into roughly 5 teams (depending on your class size this may vary) and indicate this on the board (see picture above).
3. Write a word on the board. In the example above, we use 'sun'.
4. Ask the teams to think or write 3 words that have the same vowel sounds as 'sun'. Examples might be 'bun', 'fun', 'run' etc. Pupils might give 'money' – accept it!
5. Give the teams a time limit. Start with 20 seconds to make it easy and then to 10 seconds or lower in the later rounds.
6. If teams get 3 words = 10 points, 2 words = 5 points, 1 word = 1 point.
7. You can make it easier by asking for words which begin with the same first sound. For example, 'scissors', 'sandwich', 'sing' have the same first sound as 'sun' /s/.
8. This game is like 'Rhyme the Picture!', except pupils use the **word form** to find matching words. In 'Rhyme the Picture!' pupils begin with **meaning** and then break it down into **word form**.