

### Activity Type

Matching and reading activity, group work

### Language Focus

Sentence structure

Vocabulary

Grammar

### Aim

To form sentences from word cards

### Preparation

Write target sentences on slips of paper, cut each sentence into word cards, place the word cards inside a balloon. Blow up the balloon and number it. Do this for each team.

All teams should have the same sentences inside numbered balloons.

### Level

Any

### Time

15 minutes

### Introduction

This entertaining sentence race game is ideal for practicing sentence structure, vocabulary and grammar.

### Procedure

Divide the students into teams of three or four.

Give each team balloon number 1. Inside each balloon should be word cards that make up a sentence.

When you say 'go', the teams try to pop their balloons using only their elbows and race to form a sentence from the word cards inside the balloon.

The first team to form the sentence and read it aloud scores a point.

Play several rounds.

The team with the most points at the end of the game is the winner.

You could also play this game to practice spelling and vocabulary by putting letter cards inside each balloon that form a word.