

ROCK GAMES



Memory—Rock Version

1. Choose 6-10 rocks from your collection and place them on the table. It helps to choose a variety of shapes, sizes, textures, and colors of rocks.
2. Allow one minute for players to observe the rocks carefully.
3. Have players close their eyes while you remove one of the rocks from the table.
4. Players take turns guessing which rock is missing.

Rock Tic-Tac-Toe

1. Using four sticks, make a tic-tac-toe board.
2. You will need two sets of rocks, 5 of each kind. Pick different colors, shapes, or textures to distinguish the X's and O's.



Sort by Color



Sort by Size



Sort by Texture

Sorting Games

1. Younger children love to sort things and rocks from our collections make wonderful objects for this activity.
2. Gather rocks, small bowls or baskets, and let the children sort the rocks by color, shape, texture, or size.
3. Advanced students can sort their rocks by type: igneous, sedimentary, or metamorphic.

Mystery Rock

1. Gather rocks from your collection along with a small cloth or paper bag.
2. Allow children to observe the rocks using their eyes and hands.
3. Take turns putting a “mystery rock” in the bag, allowing the player to stick his hand in the bag to feel the rock inside.
4. Have the player guess which rock from the collection is inside.

