

Barrier Games

These might be suitable in the current climate of 'social distancing' as it's a good idea for those taking part to sit apart with a barrier/screen between the participants. Great for developing good listening skills.

Barrier Games – Descriptions:

Children sitting side by side with barrier between and describe/instruct:

- Simple sequence or pattern making e.g. stringing beads, draw a clothes line.
- Colour parts of same picture.
- Simple construction e.g. Lego
- Location e.g. place items on a picture board, park cars in a carpark.
- Grids – position shapes or objects on a grid; road map; Battleship game.
- Route finding – describe how to get from one point to another on map, listener draws route on corresponding map.
- Spot the Difference pictures – commercially available.
- Guess Who

Group Barrier Games

- Children instructed to draw pictures using simple geometric shapes.
- Children in turns give teacher instructions to draw their picture on the board. Teacher makes deliberate errors to encourage more precise instructions.
- Choose one child as illustrator. Others in groups draw picture of one step of procedure:
 - Group 1 House
 - Group 2 House with pathway to front door
 - Group 3 Add flower garden
 - Group 4 Add trees.
 - Groups describe picture in sequence.