



**Folder Games
Site Coordinator Tool Kit**

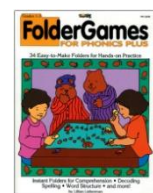
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A folder game can be used in many different ways during your afterschool program. They can be used as activities for children to do when they have finished homework, they can be used in centers if you are moving students through a rotation, and they can also be used at the end of the day when students are waiting for their parents to pick them up.

The advantage of a folder game is that the game can be contained in a file folder that when opened can be the game board. The directions can go on the front of the file folder and you can laminate an envelope to the back of the folder to hold the cards or other pieces needed to play the game.

The folder game is easy to store (you just need a file drawer). You can color code the folders so you can tell at a glance which grade level the folder game is for. Or you could color code for Language Arts, Math, Science and Social Studies. Another advantage of the folder game is that you can create multiple copies of the same game so you can have small groups of children playing the same game. Finally, a folder game is great because they are relatively inexpensive to make, and when they are laminated they will last quite a while, and when it is time to replace the game, it will simply take a little time, but not a lot of money.

So, to get started you need folders, scissors, glue sticks, marking pens, and an idea for a game (you can also purchase folder game ideas).



One of the places you can look for games is in worksheets and another is in homework assignments. If you have both the answers and the problems, you are good to go. You can put either the problems or the answers on a game board in the center of the file folder, and then put the others on card for kids to draw and then match either to the answer or the problem.



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