

Put the Days of the Week in Order

Instructions for teachers

Choose which set of cards below you want to use and photocopy and cut up one set per class, or one set per group of two to four students if you want them to do the activity in groups.

There are several activities which can be done with these cards, which I would probably do in this order:

- Drill the names of the days of the week as you lay them on the table in order, move some of the cards while students are looking and ask them to put them back in order as quickly as they can (on their own, or working together)
- Put all the cards into a pack, shuffle them, then ask students to put them in order
- Put all the cards into a pack, secretly remove one, shuffle the other cards, then ask students to put the days which are there in order and spot which day is missing

If students will find this difficult due to reading level etc, you can start with fewer cards, e.g. just laying out and mixing up Monday, Tuesday, Wednesday and Thursday.

The other students can take the teacher's role in any of these games, and the games are also easy enough to be played in pairs or small groups.

The written practice below can be done before, between or after any of these games.

Basic days of the week version

Monday

Tuesday

Wednesday

Thursday

Friday

Saturday

Sunday

Common abbreviations for days of the week version

Mon

Tues

Wed

Thurs

Fri

Sat

Sun

Shortest abbreviations for days of the week version

M

F

Tu

Sa

W

Su

Th

Days of the week spelling practice

Without looking at the cards or below, try to write the ending of each day of the week below.

Mon _____
Tues _____
Wed _____
Thurs _____
Fri _____
Sat _____
Sun _____

Use the mixed answers below to help with the spelling task above.

day
day
day
day
day
nesday
urday

Check with the cards.

Without looking at the cards or above, try to write the ending of each day of the week below.

M _____
Tu _____
W _____
Th _____
F _____
Sa _____
Su _____

Use the mixed answers below to help with the task above, then check your answers.

ednesday
esday
nday
onday
riday
turday
ursday

Without looking above or below, write the start of each of the days below. They are already in the right order.

_____ day
_____ day
_____ nesday
_____ day
_____ day
_____ urday
_____ day

Use the mixed answers below to help with the spelling task above.

Fri
Mon
Sat
Sun
Thurs
Tues
Wed

Check with the cards.