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Picco Contrario

Who can find the most pairs?

Game type: Memo with cards showing opposites
Players: 2–4 children from 4 years
Contents: 20 cards depicting 10 opposite pairs, instructions
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Note for parents

It is a good idea if the children look through the cards first before starting the game so that they can learn the names of the opposites. The cards are face up on the table for this. It would, of course be better if an older person is there to help, e.g. to call out the name of what is on the card while the children are searching for it. The following pairs belong together:

large elephant – little mouse	happy girl – sad girl
long trousers – shorts	round ball – cubed dice
lightweight feather – heavy dumb-bell	daylight – dark night
hot cocoa – cold icecream	fat man – thin man
old grandmother – young child	empty glass – full glass

Preparation

Before starting the game, all cards are placed face-down on the table or floor, within reach of all the players.

Aim of the game

Each player tries to collect as many pairs as possible.

Course of the game

The youngest player starts. He turns over any two cards so that all players can see them. If he finds a pair of opposites as listed above, he may keep them. It is then the turn of the next player.

If the cards do not form a pair, they must be turned over again. Take note where the cards are for when it's your turn! It is then the turn of the next player.

End of the game

The game comes to an end when all the pairs have been found. The winner is the player with the highest tower built with the cards they have won.