

THE MATCHING GAME

TIME 20–40 minutes

SUPPLIES

- › Paper and pens

SET UP Prepare a list of questions pertinent to all players, such as the following:

- › What is your partner's favorite book?
- › What would your partner say is his or her best trait: smile, personality, or ability to listen?
- › What would your partner say is the best part about getting older?
- › What movie has the most important message your partner has ever seen?
- › What issue means a lot to your partner?
- › What does your partner think people spend too much time worrying about?
- › Would your partner choose pizza or hamburgers?
- › What color are your partner's eyes?
- › What type of music does your partner like best?
- › How many siblings does your partner have?
- › What subject in school is your partner's best?
- › Which superhero would your partner say he or she is most like: Batman, Spiderman, Superman, or Wonder Woman?

Provide enough questions to cover two rounds of play, with four or five questions for each round. If the group is large, ask some group members to play the role of spectators, designate some to keep score for each team, and have a couple keep watch at the door to tell the other group when to come back into the room.

THE GAME Tell players they're going to find out just how well they know each other. Teams that answer the most questions correctly win. Divide the group into pairs. Ask each pair to determine who in the pair will stay and who will leave the room. Consider asking another reader to wait with the players who temporarily leave while the other players get ready.

Ask remaining players to answer questions one at a time the way they think their partner would respond