Language of the Flowers

Materials

- Scissors
- Language of the Flowers matching cards (on next two pages)

10-15 minutes

Instructions

1. Cut out the Language of the Flowers matching cards on the next two pages.

2. Mix up the cards that you cut out.

3. Try to match up the flower cards, with the meaning cards, and see how many you can get right!

4. Ask a family member to try and match the flower cards with the meaning cards.

Extension Activities: Do some research online, find more flower meanings, and create your own cards! Draw flowers you would include in a bouquet to someone; what flowers would you include? What colors would the flowers be? What message would you be sending to them?

During the Victorian Era people sent flowers that had hidden meanings behind them. This secret code was called florigraphy. Everyday flowers turned into romantic gestures, polite declines, or flat out anger toward the receiver. Each flower, or combination of flowers, was designed to let the receiver know the message that the sender wanted to give them. This was not the first time meanings had been attached to flowers, in fact it is a practice that dates back thousands of years across the globe.
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Yellow Pansy

Rosemary

Aloe

White Lily

Bluebells

Yellow Rose
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remembrance

thinking of you

my love is pure

bitter

friendship

kindness
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Answers:

Yellow pansy - thinking of you
White lily - my love is pure
Rosemary - remembrance
Yellow rose - friendship
Bluebells - kindness
Aloe - bitterness