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# Talking Football

#### **Skills to practice:**

Use this game to practice word formation through prefixes. The idea is for students to experiment with some combinations of prefix and root.

Class Levels: Adaptable for all levels of students and all class sizes.

**Requirements:** Cut out the game resources below. Cut out the balls or players and use as markers

### How to play:

- 1. The general idea is for students to build new words using the prefixes at the sides. Every time they build a new word they are allowed to advance to the next space if the word is a sensible word. For example if the word is NEW- It can use the prefix RE- to make a new word RENEW- Sentence could be- <u>I have to renew my passport every five</u> years. Or How often do you renew your passport?
- 2. Note that we can use more than one prefix on some words like CYCLE- For example BICYCLE or RECYCLE or UNICYCLE.
- 3. To start, the two players or teams should do ROCKs, PAPER, SCI SSORS to decide who starts first.
- 4. Both teams (players) keep advancing until they meet on one space. When they meet they do ROCKS, PAPER and SCISSORS. The team that looses the ROCKS, PAPER & SCISSORS guess, goes back to start. The winning side continues until they meet again. Every time they, meet they do rocks, paper, and scissors to see who gets a red card. The team that gets to the other team's goal, wins.
- 5. When players get to the centre, it is a FREE space so they can create any sentence they like.
- 6. If you decide to continue, try different key words or swap sides after the first side wins
- 7. Feel free to adapt this game for your classes as you like. Also feel free to modify or add rules.

#### Tips for large classes:

This game is a board game, but can also be played in a large class. Photocopy the game on an A3 or larger paper size, or project in on a projector if your class has one. Use blue tag to stick team players as they advanced.

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## Football Game equipment





