No-Prep Therapy Activity: Guess My Monster!

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Halloween is coming up soon! No-prep activities like this one can make a hectic time in the classroom a bit easier by giving your little goblins a fun game that also hones their describing skills.

Number of Players
- 2 or more

Materials Needed
- Guess My Monster game page (one copy for each player or team)
- Pencils or crayons
- Bingo Chips (optional)
- Laminate game pages and use dry erase markers during game play (optional)

Object of the Game
Guess your opponent’s monster by asking “yes” or “no” questions about its features.

Directions
- Provide each player with a copy of the game found on the next page.
- Each player selects a monster that his/her opponent will be attempting to guess.
- Begin by asking your opponent a “yes” or “no” question about his/her chosen monster:
  - Example: You might ask “Does your monster have more than 2 eyes?” If your opponent answers “yes,” eliminate all pictures that do not have more than 2 eyes by crossing them out or covering them with a bingo chip. If your opponent answers “no,” cross out or cover all monsters with more than 2 eyes.
- Take turns asking questions to try to guess your opponent’s monster. When you feel confident you can guess your opponent’s monster, do so during your turn.

Tips for Game Play
- It is helpful for the adult to record the number of the picture chosen for each player and keep the answer safe until the end of the game.
- For groups of players larger than two:
  - Divide into teams of two.
  - Designate one player to answer questions and the remaining players to ask the questions. The player who guesses the picture correctly then becomes the player answering questions.
- Use the visual cues found on the following page to help players struggling to identify, label, and describe attributes.
Guess My Monster!

1. [Monster Image]
2. [Monster Image]
3. [Monster Image]
4. [Monster Image]
5. [Monster Image]
6. [Monster Image]
7. [Monster Image]
8. [Monster Image]
9. [Monster Image]
10. [Monster Image]
11. [Monster Image]
12. [Monster Image]
Guess My Monster!

Is your monster:
- Purple
- Yellow
- Red
- Green

Does your monster have:
- More than two eyes
- Antennae
- Teeth
- Spots
- Stripes
- A tail
- More than two arms
- Horns
- Spikes
- Feathers