

LOHRI MEMORY GAME



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Lohri is a popular Punjabi holiday celebrated every year in January. When we celebrate Lohri, we are celebrating the beginning of the harvest season for farmers. Lohri also means that the days are going to get longer and warmer and that winter is slowly coming to an end. This Lohri Memory Game will be a fun way to learn some important things about Lohri.

OBJECT OF THE GAME

Find the most pairs of matching cards, and learn about Lohri!

SETUP

Form 6 rows of cards across and 10 rows down, using all 60 cards. You will end up making 30 pairs. You may also divide the cards in half and form 5 rows across and 3 rows down for beginners. You will end up making 15 pairs this way

HOW TO PLAY

1. Have the youngest player go first and take turns with every player by going clockwise.
2. Each player gets to turn over two cards during each turn.

A match: happens when a player turns over two identical cards. When this happens, the player takes both cards. The player then takes another turn and repeats if another match is made.

A miss: happens when a player turns over two cards and they do not match. When this happens, the player must turn the two cards picture-side down again in the same place. It's now the next player's turn.

1. The game continues until all cards have been matched and removed from the spread.
2. Once all the cards run out, the player with the most number of matching pairs wins.

CARD DESCRIPTIONS

Bhangra Dancer

Bhangra is a traditional folk dance from Punjab that was created by farmers. Farmers did bhangra to celebrate their successful harvests and to let loose after working hard in the fields. Because Lohri is a celebration of the start of harvest season, Bhangra is often danced during this traditional holiday.

Farmer

Lohri is an important celebration in the lives of farmers. Farmers plant wheat in their fields in the fall and wait until April for it to fully grow. Lohri marks the halfway point between both of these times. In January, which is when Lohri happens, farmers are able to see the wheat growing in their fields. Lohri is a celebration of their hard work and the promise of their harvest.

Tractor

The tractor is a key tool in any farmer's life. They often help the farmers save time and effort in their farming jobs. During Lohri, tractors are often decorated!

Wheat

Wheat is the main crop that farmers plant in the fall and the main crop that they wait for in the winter. A lot of India's wheat is grown and harvested in Punjab by the farmers. Because of this, wheat is a really important part of not just the farmers' lives, but the lives of Punjabis as well. It's what our roti is made from!

Bonfire

The bonfire is a popular part of Lohri. People often sing and dance around the bonfire and throw Lohri foods into the fire. It is believed that doing so is good luck and that the bonfire will bring everyone prosperity.

Peanut

Peanuts are a popular snack that is eaten at Lohri. A lot of people also throw peanuts and their shells into the bonfire. Some other popular snacks eaten at Lohri are popcorn, puffed rice, gur and gachak.