

Make a Memory

Getting to know someone
new can be difficult and,
well, downright
awkward! Ease your
students' worries by
creating and playing
this game, Make a
Memory, from the
Blue Apple Project,
Moments to Remember.



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Let's Get Ready!

Make a Memory helps students form connections with their new senior friends, and begin to collect the stories that they'll need in order to write rich and meaningful biographies.

Here's What You'll Need

- Make a Memory Questions
- Make a Memory Cards
- Make a Memory Interview Forms
- Clipboard, or other hard surface on which to write

Before Play

Print the *Make a Memory* questions for each student.

Print the *Make a Memory* interview forms and make sure each student has a hard surface, some paper, and a writing utensil so they can record their answers.

Print and cut out the *Make a Memory* cards for each student.

On Your Marks, Get Set, Go!

- 1. Form partner pairs between students and seniors.
- **2.** Cut out the cards.
- 3. Ask one of the *Make a Memory* questions and discuss each partner's answers.
- **4.** Have each partner draw a picture that shows the other one's answers.
 - a. These two pictures will form matching "pairs," since they answer the same question.
- **5.** After completing pictures for all six questions, shuffle cards and place them on a flat surface with the "Memory" side up.
- **6.** Take turns flipping cards to reveal the pictures. A player who turns up a "pair" gets to keep the cards.
- 7. When all pairs have been claimed, the player with the most pairs wins!
- **8.** Shuffle and repeat steps five through eight as time permits.
- **9.** When finished, conduct an interview using the *Make a Memory* interview forms.

Make a Memory Questions

- 1. Which color is your favorite?
- **2.** What is/was your favorite toy growing up?
- 3. Who was your favorite pet? If you didn't have a pet, what pet do you WISH you would have had?
- **4.** What is your favorite food?
- **5.** What is your favorite game or sport?
- **6.** Which holiday do you most look forward to?

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Make a Memory Interview Form

After playing the game, get to know each other more deeply by discussing and <u>recording</u> answers to these questions. Or, create your own questions to ask!

- 1. What is your most meaningful life experience?
- 2. If you could time travel, what advice would you give your 10-year-old self?
- 3. When were you most content in life? Angry? Sad? Excited?
- **4.** What is your favorite hobby?
- 5. Where has been your favorite place to visit?
- 6. What was your favorite job? If you don't have a job yet, what do you want to do when you grow up?
- 7. Who are your favorite people in the world?
- **8.** What is one time you got in trouble?
- **9.** Tell me about one of your funniest memories.
- **10.** What are the three most important things in life?
- **11.** Which people have had the most influence on you? Why?
- **12.** What is your favorite place, and why?
- **13.** What is one thing that you really wonder about?
- **14.** What is your most interesting talent?
- **15.** Tell me about the best gift you ever received.
- **16.** What is the most interesting way the world has changed during your lifetime?
- **17.** Tell me about the fanciest meal you've ever eaten.
- **18.** Can you describe the best trip you've ever taken?
- **19.** What is one time you learned from failure?
- **20.** What are you the most proud of in your life?



Now, write your own questions to learn more about your senior friend!

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