

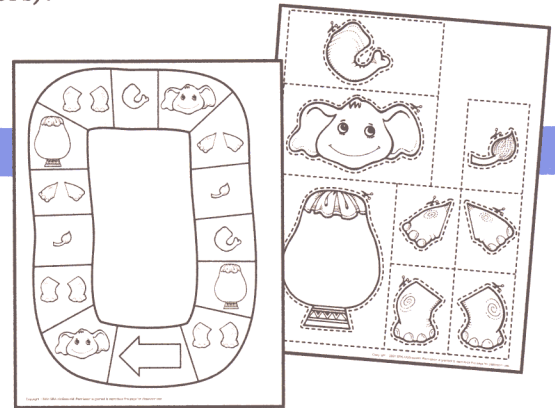
Build an Elephant

Part/Whole

Materials Needed for Lesson

For each child you will need 1 copy of BLM 45B copied on gray construction paper, 1 piece of 8 ½" x 11" cardboard, scissors, glue, and 1 marker (buttons of assorted colors).

For each group of children you will need 1 copy of BLM 45A and 1 number cube.



Presenting the Activity

1. (Glue the copy of BLM 45A to a piece of 8 ½" x 11" cardboard. You may want to ask a child to color the game board.)
2. (Cut each copy of BLM 45B into squares to create sets of elephant body parts.)
3. **Today we are going play a game to make an elephant.** (Give each child a different color button.)

Put a marker on the start arrow. (Each child and the teacher should place a different color button on the start arrow.)

4. **Listen. You will roll the number cube. You will move your marker as many spaces as the number cube shows. When you land on an elephant body part, you can take it from the pile. Then you must say the whole thing about that body part. If you land on a part you already have, you have to wait for another turn.**

5. **My turn.** (You roll the number cube and move the marker the correct number of spaces. You take the correct body part from the pile and "Say the whole thing." Example: "An elephant has legs." Give the number cube to a child.)
6. (The game continues until all children have enough parts to create an elephant. It may take two trips around the game board for each child to get all the parts. *Note: When a child lands on "legs," the child can take two legs.*)
7. (Allow children to cut out the elephant parts and glue them to the body.)
8. (Ask the children to take turns naming the elephant body parts with their completed elephants.)

