Traits and Traditions: A Make-a-Match Game

Did You Know?

Inherited traits are physical characteristics that can be passed down from parent to child.

Preparation

- Cut out the game cards. You may want to glue or tape the pages to heavy paper first.

Object of the game

- Use your memory to find the cards with matching pictures. The person to collect the most matches wins!

Instructions

1. Place the game cards face down and spread them out. Decide which player will go first.
2. The first player turns over two cards, looking for a match. All players should have a chance to see the pictures on the two cards.
3. Read each card. Decide whether it describes an inherited trait (something you are born with) or a tradition (something you learn). Record your answer by checking the box next to “trait” or “tradition”.
4. If the pictures on the cards MATCH, the player keeps the cards and takes another turn. If the pictures on the cards DO NOT MATCH, the player does not keep the cards. The cards are again turned face down.
5. The next player turns over two more cards, looking for a match. Continue to label each card as either a trait or a tradition.
6. Play until all the matches have been found. The person to collect the most matches wins!

Hint

Cards with matching pictures have different phrases. One card in the pair describes a trait, and the other card in the pair describes a tradition.

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‘Oku hangatonu hoku tumu’aki
I have a straight hairline

‘Oku ou ‘ai ‘a e sei ki hoku lou’ulu
I wear a sei in my hair

‘Oku ngaofe hoku motu’a tuhu
I have a curved thumb

‘Oku ou taa ‘Ukulele
I play the ukulele

‘Oku ‘ikai ke fehokotaki ‘a e konga ki lalo ‘a hoku lau’i telinga
I have detached earlobes

‘Oku fakaava hoku lau’i telinga
I have pierced ears

‘Oku ou nima hema
I am left-handed

‘Oku ou faka’aonga’i hoku nima ‘i he ‘eku ngaue ta tongitongi
I use my hand to carve
Ko e lanu fakaenatula ‘o hoku lou’ulu ‘oku melomelo
My natural hair color is brown

Oku ou faka’aonga’i ‘ae me’a fakalanu ke fulihi ‘a e lanu hoku fulufulu’i’ulu
I use dye to change my hair color

‘Oku ‘ikai lava keu tala ‘a e faikehekehe ‘o e ngaahi lanu
I am color-blind

‘Oku ou manako he ngaauoe fakamea’a
I like to create art

‘Oku malomi hoku kou’ahe
I have dimples on my cheeks

‘Oku ou fakafe’iloaki ‘aki ‘a e fofonga malimali
I greet others with a smile

‘Oku lanu melomelo hoku kano’imata
I have brown eyes

‘Oku ou sa’ia keu mamata ki ha kakai ‘oku nau tau’olunga
I like to watch people dance