

Classifier Bingo

Teacher instructions, caller sheet, and 20 cards

How to play

Give each student a card. Instead of calling out a word, **sign a short scene**. Students decide which classifier best represents what they saw and mark that square. First to complete a row, column, or diagonal calls BINGO.

The caller sheet on the next two pages gives a ready-made scene for all 30 classifiers, so there is nothing to invent on the spot. Check each one off as you sign it.

Before you start

Print list

- › **Pages 2–3** — caller sheet, one copy for you.
- › **Pages 4–13** — 20 cards, two per page. Cut along the dashed line.
- › Cards repeat after 20 students, so print a second set for larger classes.

Marking the cards

- › Use counters or dry-erase sleeves to reuse the cards.
- › If students mark with pencil, have them initial each square so you can check the win.
- › The centre square is free for everyone.

WATCH FOR THIS

Four handshapes appear twice on the board with different meanings: **CL:4**, **CL:C**, **CL:G**, **CL:I**. A student who sees a thin wire could reasonably mark either **CL:G** square. Sign the scene so the meaning is unmistakable, and if two squares could both work, accept either — or tell the class up front which one you mean. These pairs are flagged on the caller sheet.

Ways to change the game

Blackout

Play until a full card is covered. Good for a whole class period and forces every classifier to come up.

Four corners

A fast round — the four corner squares only. Useful as a warm-up or an exit ticket.

Student callers

Hand the caller sheet to a student. Signing the scene is harder than reading it, and the class gets a second model to watch.

Prove it

When someone calls BINGO, they sign back one scene from their winning line before the win counts.

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Caller sheet — sign the scene, do not name the classifier

Caller sheet

Sign the scene, do not say or fingerspell the label. Tick the box as you go so nothing repeats. Scenes are suggestions — swap in your own whenever you like.

Classifiers 1–15

HANDSHAPE	MEANS	SCENE TO SIGN
☐ CL:1	Person	A person walks down the sidewalk and stops.
☐ CL:3	Vehicle	A car drives down a curved road.
☐ CL:B	Surface	A flat tabletop with a paper lying on it.
☐ CL:C	Round Object PAIR	A cup sitting on the counter.
☐ CL:5	Crowd	A crowd gathers, then spreads apart.
☐ CL:V	Two People	Two people walking together in step.
☐ CL:4	Row/Line PAIR	A long line of people waiting for tickets.
☐ CL:A	Small Object	A small box set down on a shelf.
☐ CL:S	Solid Object	Someone pounds a fist on the door.
☐ CL:O	Round Item	Holding a small ball in one hand.
☐ CL:F	Small Round	A coin set down flat on the table.
☐ CL:I	Thin Object PAIR	Showing how thin a single strand is.
☐ CL:G	Small Thin PAIR	Showing how thin a slice of bread is.
☐ CL:L	Tool Shape	Holding a handheld tool and aiming it.
☐ CL:Y	Handle/Phone	Holding a phone up to the ear.

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Classifiers 16–30

HANDSHAPE	MEANS	SCENE TO SIGN
☐ CL:bent V	Sitting	A person sits down on a bench.
☐ CL:5 Claw	Animal	An animal rears up with its claws out.
☐ CL:BB	Large Surface	A wide wall stretching across the room.
☐ CL:Both 3	Vehicles	Two cars pass each other on the highway.
☐ CL:Both 1	Two People	Two people walk side by side, one turns away.
☐ CL:C	Large Cylinder PAIR	A thick tree trunk standing in the yard.
☐ CL:Claw	Grabbing	A hand reaches out and grabs a jar.
☐ CL:Flat 0	Object	Pinching a sheet of paper and pulling it free.
☐ CL:Stacked B	Objects	A stack of books piled on the desk.
☐ CL:Spread C	Bowl	A wide bowl set in the middle of the table.
☐ CL:R	Twisted Object	A braided cord twisting along the floor.
☐ CL:K	Small Held	Holding a small brush and painting.
☐ CL:I	Candle/Stick PAIR	A candle standing upright, burning down.
☐ CL:G	Wire PAIR	A thin wire running along the wall.
☐ CL:4	Fence PAIR	A fence running along the edge of the yard.

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B	I	N	G	O
CL:bent V Sitting	CL:L Tool Shape	CL:5 Crowd	CL:K Small Held	CL:4 Fence
CL:A Small Object	CL:C Round Object	CL:BB Large Surface	CL:C Large Cylinder	CL:Claw Grabbing
CL:Both 3 Vehicles	CL:Flat O Object	FREE space	CL:V Two People	CL:Both 1 Two People
CL:O Round Item	CL:Stacked B Objects	CL:F Small Round	CL:1 Person	CL:5 Claw Animal
CL:Y Handle/Phone	CL:R Twisted Object	CL:I Candle/Stick	CL:G Wire	CL:Spread C Bowl

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B	I	N	G	O
CL:Spread C Bowl	CL:L Tool Shape	CL:G Small Thin	CL:I Candle/Stick	CL:3 Vehicle
CL:4 Fence	CL:C Large Cylinder	CL:Both 3 Vehicles	CL:Both 1 Two People	CL:B Surface
CL:O Round Item	CL:1 Person	FREE space	CL:BB Large Surface	CL:4 Row/Line
CL:C Round Object	CL:V Two People	CL:F Small Round	CL:G Wire	CL:bent V Sitting
CL:Y Handle/Phone	CL:S Solid Object	CL:5 Claw Animal	CL:R Twisted Object	CL:K Small Held

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B	I	N	G	O
CL:C Large Cylinder	CL:Flat 0 Object	CL:G Wire	CL:5 Claw Animal	CL:0 Round Item
CL:4 Fence	CL:R Twisted Object	CL:B Surface	CL:G Small Thin	CL:Y Handle/Phone
CL:5 Crowd	CL:Spread C Bowl	FREE space	CL:A Small Object	CL:F Small Round
CL:BB Large Surface	CL:Both 3 Vehicles	CL:V Two People	CL:4 Row/Line	CL:K Small Held
CL:I Candle/Stick	CL:bent V Sitting	CL:L Tool Shape	CL:Both 1 Two People	CL:1 Person

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NAME _____ HOUR _____

B	I	N	G	O
CL:B Surface	CL:Claw Grabbing	CL:F Small Round	CL:Both 3 Vehicles	CL:3 Vehicle
CL:C Large Cylinder	CL:bent V Sitting	CL:4 Row/Line	CL:G Wire	CL:0 Round Item
CL:L Tool Shape	CL:G Small Thin	FREE space	CL:V Two People	CL:Flat 0 Object
CL:BB Large Surface	CL:Y Handle/Phone	CL:K Small Held	CL:5 Claw Animal	CL:C Round Object
CL:A Small Object	CL:Stacked B Objects	CL:Spread C Bowl	CL:I Thin Object	CL:Both 1 Two People

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B	I	N	G	O
CL:4 Fence	CL:Both 3 Vehicles	CL:4 Row/Line	CL:G Small Thin	CL:A Small Object
CL:0 Round Item	CL:B Surface	CL:3 Vehicle	CL:F Small Round	CL:Both 1 Two People
CL:G Wire	CL:K Small Held	FREE space	CL:Claw Grabbing	CL:Flat 0 Object
CL:Stacked B Objects	CL:R Twisted Object	CL:C Round Object	CL:Y Handle/Phone	CL:BB Large Surface
CL:V Two People	CL:S Solid Object	CL:5 Crowd	CL:C Large Cylinder	CL:bent V Sitting

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B	I	N	G	O
CL:Claw Grabbing	CL:I Thin Object	CL:BB Large Surface	CL:Stacked B Objects	CL:L Tool Shape
CL:I Candle/Stick	CL:0 Round Item	CL:4 Fence	CL:Spread C Bowl	CL:C Large Cylinder
CL:Flat 0 Object	CL:K Small Held	FREE space	CL:1 Person	CL:5 Claw Animal
CL:4 Row/Line	CL:S Solid Object	CL:F Small Round	CL:Y Handle/Phone	CL:V Two People
CL:5 Crowd	CL:G Wire	CL:Both 3 Vehicles	CL:G Small Thin	CL:Both 1 Two People

NAME _____ HOUR _____

B	I	N	G	O
CL:1 Person	CL:R Twisted Object	CL:S Solid Object	CL:bent V Sitting	CL:5 Claw Animal
CL:K Small Held	CL:O Round Item	CL:4 Row/Line	CL:C Large Cylinder	CL:C Round Object
CL:Both 1 Two People	CL:V Two People	FREE space	CL:I Candle/Stick	CL:5 Crowd
CL:A Small Object	CL:B Surface	CL:F Small Round	CL:BB Large Surface	CL:3 Vehicle
CL:Claw Grabbing	CL:Both 3 Vehicles	CL:Stacked B Objects	CL:Flat O Object	CL:G Small Thin

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B	I	N	G	O
CL:4 Row/Line	CL:C Round Object	CL:K Small Held	CL:I Candle/Stick	CL:G Wire
CL:B Surface	CL:F Small Round	CL:S Solid Object	CL:Spread C Bowl	CL:3 Vehicle
CL:Claw Grabbing	CL:A Small Object	FREE space	CL:4 Fence	CL:1 Person
CL:G Small Thin	CL:Flat O Object	CL:I Thin Object	CL:Stacked B Objects	CL:C Large Cylinder
CL:Y Handle/Phone	CL:5 Claw Animal	CL:Both 1 Two People	CL:BB Large Surface	CL:Both 3 Vehicles

NAME _____ HOUR _____

B	I	N	G	O
CL:K Small Held	CL:3 Vehicle	CL:1 Person	CL:F Small Round	CL:Y Handle/Phone
CL:G Small Thin	CL:C Large Cylinder	CL:bent V Sitting	CL:B Surface	CL:I Candle/Stick
CL:L Tool Shape	CL:Stacked B Objects	FREE space	CL:Both 3 Vehicles	CL:Spread C Bowl
CL:I Thin Object	CL:A Small Object	CL:Claw Grabbing	CL:R Twisted Object	CL:4 Fence
CL:5 Crowd	CL:O Round Item	CL:5 Claw Animal	CL:C Round Object	CL:4 Row/Line

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NAME _____ HOUR _____

B	I	N	G	O
CL:Both 1 Two People	CL:Spread C Bowl	CL:O Round Item	CL:Both 3 Vehicles	CL:R Twisted Object
CL:Stacked B Objects	CL:K Small Held	CL:3 Vehicle	CL:B Surface	CL:bent V Sitting
CL:I Thin Object	CL:BB Large Surface	FREE space	CL:5 Crowd	CL:V Two People
CL:L Tool Shape	CL:5 Claw Animal	CL:Y Handle/Phone	CL:Flat O Object	CL:4 Fence
CL:C Large Cylinder	CL:A Small Object	CL:1 Person	CL:I Candle/Stick	CL:4 Row/Line

NAME _____ HOUR _____

B	I	N	G	O
CL:V Two People	CL:Stacked B Objects	CL:Y Handle/Phone	CL:Both 3 Vehicles	CL:C Large Cylinder
CL:5 Crowd	CL:I Candle/Stick	CL:L Tool Shape	CL:bent V Sitting	CL:Flat O Object
CL:1 Person	CL:5 Claw Animal	FREE space	CL:Claw Grabbing	CL:C Round Object
CL:O Round Item	CL:G Small Thin	CL:BB Large Surface	CL:A Small Object	CL:Spread C Bowl
CL:R Twisted Object	CL:B Surface	CL:F Small Round	CL:Both 1 Two People	CL:G Wire

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B	I	N	G	O
CL:Stacked B Objects	CL:Flat O Object	CL:4 Fence	CL:Both 3 Vehicles	CL:G Wire
CL:Y Handle/Phone	CL:I Candle/Stick	CL:G Small Thin	CL:bent V Sitting	CL:Both 1 Two People
CL:BB Large Surface	CL:R Twisted Object	FREE space	CL:F Small Round	CL:Claw Grabbing
CL:5 Claw Animal	CL:5 Crowd	CL:4 Row/Line	CL:B Surface	CL:L Tool Shape
CL:O Round Item	CL:C Large Cylinder	CL:S Solid Object	CL:V Two People	CL:C Round Object

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B	I	N	G	O
CL:V Two People	CL:Spread C Bowl	CL:bent V Sitting	CL:F Small Round	CL:C Round Object
CL:1 Person	CL:G Wire	CL:4 Fence	CL:Flat O Object	CL:C Large Cylinder
CL:A Small Object	CL:3 Vehicle	FREE space	CL:R Twisted Object	CL:Both 3 Vehicles
CL:L Tool Shape	CL:5 Crowd	CL:I Thin Object	CL:B Surface	CL:Both 1 Two People
CL:BB Large Surface	CL:S Solid Object	CL:5 Claw Animal	CL:I Candle/Stick	CL:4 Row/Line

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B	I	N	G	O
CL:A Small Object	CL:G Wire	CL:1 Person	CL:Y Handle/Phone	CL:Flat O Object
CL:L Tool Shape	CL:Claw Grabbing	CL:3 Vehicle	CL:BB Large Surface	CL:O Round Item
CL:S Solid Object	CL:B Surface	FREE space	CL:bent V Sitting	CL:C Round Object
CL:I Thin Object	CL:I Candle/Stick	CL:Spread C Bowl	CL:5 Crowd	CL:4 Fence
CL:C Large Cylinder	CL:R Twisted Object	CL:Stacked B Objects	CL:F Small Round	CL:Both 1 Two People

NAME _____ HOUR _____

B	I	N	G	O
CL:Y Handle/Phone	CL:5 Claw Animal	CL:G Wire	CL:C Round Object	CL:3 Vehicle
CL:R Twisted Object	CL:Claw Grabbing	CL:G Small Thin	CL:Flat O Object	CL:I Thin Object
CL:BB Large Surface	CL:5 Crowd	FREE space	CL:I Candle/Stick	CL:L Tool Shape
CL:1 Person	CL:C Large Cylinder	CL:Stacked B Objects	CL:O Round Item	CL:4 Row/Line
CL:A Small Object	CL:V Two People	CL:K Small Held	CL:Both 1 Two People	CL:B Surface

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NAME _____ HOUR _____

B	I	N	G	O
CL:F Small Round	CL:B Surface	CL:I Candle/Stick	CL:4 Row/Line	CL:5 Crowd
CL:C Round Object	CL:A Small Object	CL:R Twisted Object	CL:K Small Held	CL:Flat O Object
CL:L Tool Shape	CL:C Large Cylinder	FREE space	CL:Spread C Bowl	CL:Stacked B Objects
CL:G Small Thin	CL:S Solid Object	CL:Both 3 Vehicles	CL:1 Person	CL:4 Fence
CL:bent V Sitting	CL:G Wire	CL:Y Handle/Phone	CL:Both 1 Two People	CL:5 Claw Animal

NAME _____ HOUR _____

B	I	N	G	O
CL:Both 3 Vehicles	CL:B Surface	CL:Spread C Bowl	CL:Y Handle/Phone	CL:C Round Object
CL:C Large Cylinder	CL:A Small Object	CL:K Small Held	CL:L Tool Shape	CL:O Round Item
CL:F Small Round	CL:I Candle/Stick	FREE space	CL:BB Large Surface	CL:Stacked B Objects
CL:3 Vehicle	CL:4 Row/Line	CL:V Two People	CL:4 Fence	CL:R Twisted Object
CL:Flat 0 Object	CL:S Solid Object	CL:Claw Grabbing	CL:I Thin Object	CL:G Small Thin

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NAME _____ HOUR _____

B	I	N	G	O
CL:I Thin Object	CL:I Candle/Stick	CL:V Two People	CL:Y Handle/Phone	CL:3 Vehicle
CL:C Large Cylinder	CL:Stacked B Objects	CL:Both 1 Two People	CL:O Round Item	CL:Flat 0 Object
CL:5 Crowd	CL:Claw Grabbing	FREE space	CL:Spread C Bowl	CL:R Twisted Object
CL:5 Claw Animal	CL:4 Fence	CL:BB Large Surface	CL:F Small Round	CL:Both 3 Vehicles
CL:C Round Object	CL:B Surface	CL:G Small Thin	CL:S Solid Object	CL:L Tool Shape

NAME _____ HOUR _____

B	I	N	G	O
CL:S Solid Object	CL:V Two People	CL:5 Claw Animal	CL:Spread C Bowl	CL:C Large Cylinder
CL:5 Crowd	CL:bent V Sitting	CL:Y Handle/Phone	CL:3 Vehicle	CL:R Twisted Object
CL:G Small Thin	CL:K Small Held	FREE space	CL:Stacked B Objects	CL:I Candle/Stick
CL:Claw Grabbing	CL:B Surface	CL:I Thin Object	CL:Both 3 Vehicles	CL:4 Row/Line
CL:C Round Object	CL:1 Person	CL:A Small Object	CL:Both 1 Two People	CL:4 Fence

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B	I	N	G	O
CL:Both 3 Vehicles	CL:G Small Thin	CL:L Tool Shape	CL:Claw Grabbing	CL:G Wire
CL:I Candle/Stick	CL:Spread C Bowl	CL:5 Crowd	CL:4 Fence	CL:BB Large Surface
CL:bent V Sitting	CL:O Round Item	FREE space	CL:K Small Held	CL:Flat O Object
CL:Stacked B Objects	CL:R Twisted Object	CL:V Two People	CL:1 Person	CL:F Small Round
CL:C Round Object	CL:S Solid Object	CL:3 Vehicle	CL:A Small Object	CL:Y Handle/Phone