



## Bingo Game's Birthday

1

## Introduce the Article and Key Vocabulary

Talk with students about what they will learn from the article.  
Introduce vocabulary to them using the descriptive teaching method.

**Example:** We will be talking about the game Bingo. December is the game Bingo's birthday month. Bingo is a game of chance. Every player gets a card and each card is unique with 25 boxes with 5 letters (B, I, N, G and O) across the top and numbers in each column. The middle space on the card is usually a free space. The caller will call out a random letter and number and the player marks their sheet if they have the number. The player needs 5 numbers in a row to win. Other ways to win could be four corners, postage stamp (4 in a box), cover the entire board and more. Bingo was started in 1530 in Italy and came to the US in 1929. The game was first called "Beano" because people used to mark their cards with dried beans. A toy salesman named Edwin S. Lowe and renamed it Bingo.

2

## Read the Article While you TAAP

As you read the article with students, remember to TAAP: **T**alk about it, **A**sk a question, **A**cknowledge via response, and **P**ropel the conversation or Predict!  
(View the TAAP resource on the AAC Language Lab to learn more about the TAAP strategy!)

## Sample TAAP words/phrases:

Talk About It	Ask Questions	Acknowledge via Response	Propel the Conversation or Predict
win play row call game	Have you ever played Bingo? Did you use numbers or symbols to play? What does a bingo card look like? What would you use to mark your bingo card? Do you have a favorite lucky charm?	Great answer Nicely done BINGO! Super Let's see	Tell me more What else? Are you sure? What happens next?



## Bingo Game's Birthday

3

### Talk About What you Learned

Summarize the article with students and talk about what they learned. Ask open-ended questions to discuss what everyone thought, and to get them thinking about and reflecting about what they read.

#### Sample questions for discussion:

What did you learn about Bingo and its birthday month of December? Who is Edwin S. Lowe and what did he do for US bingo playing? Tell me how to play bingo. What do you need? How do you win? Where is the free space? What ways could you win in bingo. What prizes could you win? What are some of the patterns that are typically used in bingo?

### Discussion for Comprehension

4

After reading and summarizing the article with students, use descriptive testing to further discuss the students' understanding of the article. Pose questions in a way that allows the student to answer the question using any word on their device.

#### Sample Descriptive Testing Questions and responses:

Tell me about the game of bingo	What do you like about playing bingo?	Tell me about Edwin S. Lowe and what did he do for the game of bingo.
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>started in Italy</li> <li>player marks the card with the number called</li> <li>caller says letter and number</li> <li>five in a row win</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>fun to find the number</li> <li>listen to the caller</li> <li>mark your card</li> <li>see them win</li> <li>win a prize</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>he works in math</li> <li>he makes toys</li> <li>he was born in Poland</li> <li>made bingo known in the US</li> </ul>