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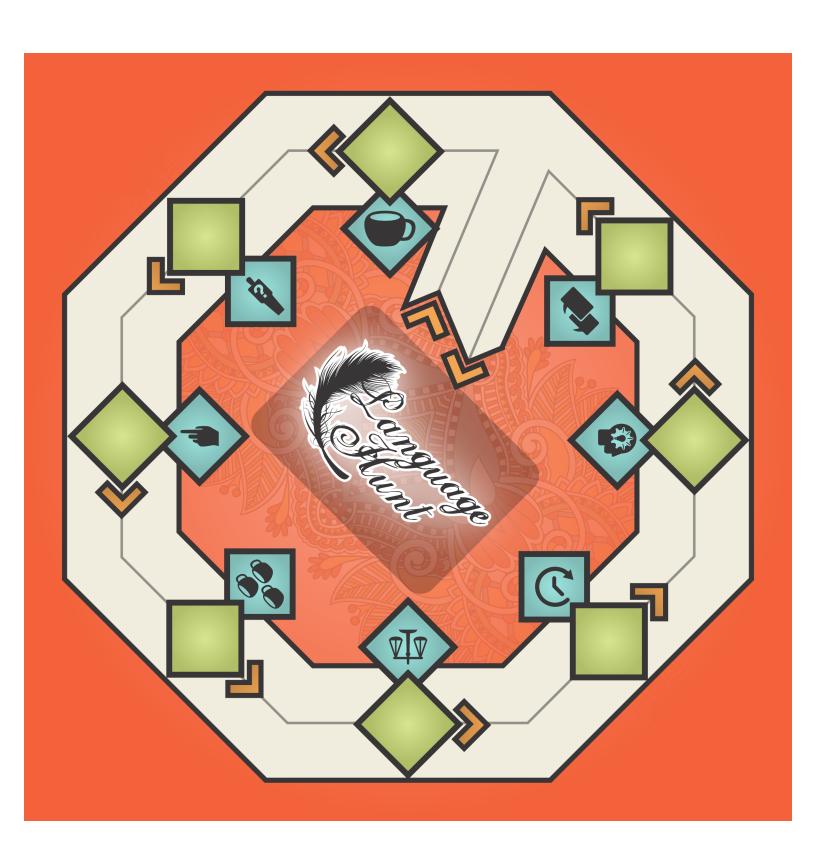


7 Things to Remember About Gestures

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- 2. **Use the fewest signs** necessary for play. Start with using 1 sign for every major word in a sentence. For example: "What [shrug] is that [point] on the table [smack one palm on the back of your other hand]?"
- 3. Add signs whenever players consistently forget a word or part of a sentence, and you have no sign to cue them with. This is what the signs are for!
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- Notice the gestures that you already use; watch what your hands do when you have everyday conversations; watch other people's hands; you can all of these to invent sign for your games.
- 7. Borrow signs from other language hunters.

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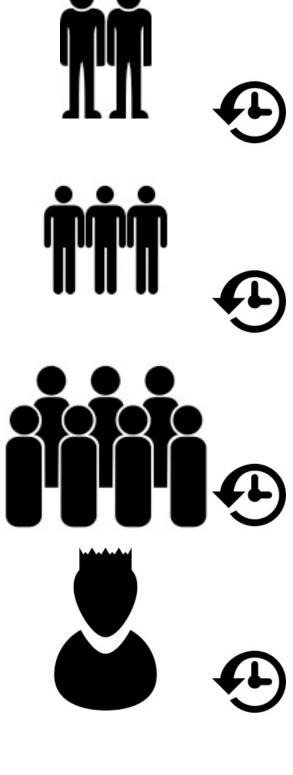












































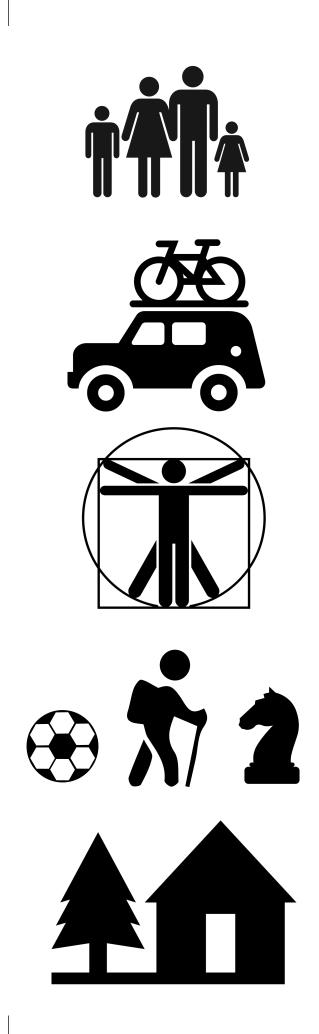


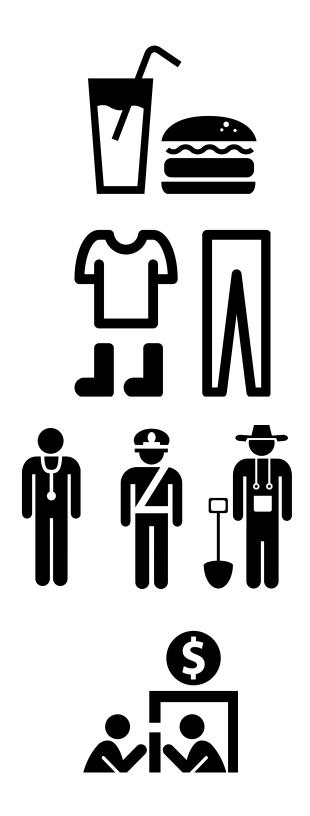


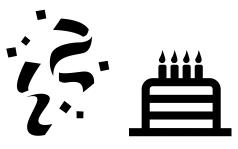














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