Word Race Contest

Tell the students that you are want to have a word contest.

Select 1 student to keep track of the time by using a watch or looking at the room clock. It is best to have a digital version for the student to use. Get 2 pieces of paper to use to record the words that will be called out.

Invite a student to be part of the contest. I suggest you choose one of the best spellers in the class. Tell the class that this student will be asked to call out as many words as they can in 90 seconds. The only restriction is they cannot use any words that contain the letters A, B or C.

Get a page of paper ready to record the words the students spells. Have the timer start the time and have the student start to call out words. You can write them down as they go to keep track.

When the 90 seconds are up stop and count all the correct words that were called out.

Now select a second student and tell the class that this student will compete with you to see you 2 can find more words then the first student. To make it fair you will only call out 6 words and the the student helping you must call out the rest. You will also add to the restriction that you cannot use words that start with the letters A, B, C, D, J, K, M or P. Most students will see this as very fair.

Have a timer start the time and you start recording the words. You call out 6 words and then the student that is helping you call out the rest. When the time is up everyone counts your total and you win by a large margin.

How is it done?

You call out the numbers One, two, three, four, five, six very slowly looking at your helper. Then point to them and mouth the numbers 7, 8 and 9 until they get the idea and start counting to 99. They can count numbers up to 99 very fast so you are sure to win.

Numbers in English

0 zero	10 ten	20 twenty	30 thirty
1 one	11 eleven	21 twenty-one	31 thirty-one
2 two	12 twelve	22 twenty-two	32 thirty-two
3 three	13 thirteen	23 twenty-three	33 thirty-three
4 four	14 fourteen	24 twenty-four	34 thirty-four
5 five	15 fifteen	25 twenty-five	35 thirty-five
6 six	16 sixteen	26 twenty-six	36 thirty-six
7 seven	17 seventeen	27 twenty-seven	37 thirty-seven
8 eight	18 eighteen	28 twenty-eight	38 thirty-eight
9 nine	19 nineteen	29 twenty-nine	39 thirty-nine
40 forty	50 fifty	60 sixty	70 seventy
41 forty-one	51 fifty-one	61 sixty-one	71 seventy-one
42 forty-two	52 fifty-two	62 sixty-two	72 seventy-two
43 forty-three	53 fifty-three	63 sixty-three	73 seventy-three
44 forty-four	54 fifty-four	64 sixty-four	74 seventy-four
45 forty-five	55 fifty-five	65 sixty-five	75 seventy-five
46 forty-six	56 fifty-six	66 sixty-six	76 seventy-six
47 forty-seven	57 fifty-seven	67 sixty-seven	77 seventy-seven
48 forty-eight	58 fifty-eight	68 sixty-eight	78 seventy-eight
49 forty-nine	59 fifty-nine	69 sixty-nine	79 seventy-nine
80 eighty	90 ninety		
81 eighty-one	91 ninety-one		
82 eighty-two	92 ninety-two		
83 eighty-three	93 ninety-three		
84 eighty-four	94 ninety-four		
85 eighty-five	95 ninety-five		
86 eighty-six	96 ninety-six		
87 eighty-seven	97 ninety-seven		
88 eighty-eight	98 ninety-eight		
89 eighty-nine	99 ninety-nine		