

Lotería Family Night

This guide helps you facilitate a fun, meaningful family night at your campus. Play the Frankly Lotería with your school community to build relationships, create a shared experience, and promote shared language for your families, students, and staff.

Editable slides for campus-specific information are at the end — use them at the beginning or end of your event, whatever fits best.

✓ What you will need



Lotería, school edition

30 playing boards (tablas) and one caller's deck.



16 tokens per player

Anything on hand — counters, manipulatives, small blocks, or dry beans for a traditional flair!



A caller (el Cantor)

The facilitator acts as the caller, announcing each card for the players.



Technology

A screen with a digital projector to show the slides.

1 STEP 1 Welcome & introducing the game

Welcome families to the Lotería family night and share some brief background about Lotería.

INFORMATION TO SHARE

Lotería is a beloved traditional board game in Latin America. It's similar to Bingo, but instead of numbers, images are called out from a deck of cards. The Frankly Lotería honors this tradition while adding a new twist — this version includes traditional Lotería icons alongside unique cards designed to support a shared language between school and home.

Slide 1

PREVIEW



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Welcome to Family Night!

2 STEP 2 How to play

Decide how you want to play Lotería for each round. The Frankly Lotería gives you two ways to play. Choose one and share the slide that matches your choice.

Traditional Style

Classic Lotería — the caller announces each card by name.

[See Step 3 →](#)

Language Building Style

The caller reads a description first; players guess the card.

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STEP 3

Traditional Style

- **Set up.** Gather 2–30 players. Each player gets a Lotería playing board (*tabla*) and 16 place markers or tokens.
- **Choose the winning pattern.** Before starting, decide how to win the round — four in a row (horizontally, vertically, or diagonally), four corners, or a full board.
- **Explain the role of the caller.** The caller (*el Cantor*) shuffles the deck and draws one card at a time, announcing the name of each card to the group.
- **Game play.** When the caller announces a card, players look for that image on their board. If they have it, they place a marker on the matching image.
- **Winning.** The first player to complete the winning pattern must shout "*¡Lotería!*" to win the round.

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PREVIEW

How to play: Traditional Style

'Cómo Jugar: Estilo Tradicional'

1 Set up Each player takes a <i>tabla</i> (board) and 16 tokens. Play with 2–30 people.	2 Pick how to win First it is row, four corners, or a full board. Decide before you start.	3 Meet the caller The caller — <i>el Cantor</i> — shuffles and calls out one card at a time.	4 Play Hear your card! Cover that image on your <i>tabla</i> with a token.	5 Win First to finish the pattern shouts " <i>Lotería!</i> "
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How to Play: Traditional Style

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STEP 4

Language Building Style

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- **Explain the role of the caller.** The caller (*el Cantor*) shuffles the deck and draws one card at a time. The caller reads the description aloud for each card **before** showing the picture to the group.
- **Game play.** Players try to guess the card based on the description. The caller then reveals the name and shows the image. Players look for it on their board and place a marker on the matching image.
- **Winning.** The first person to complete the winning pattern must say "*¡Lotería!*" to win the round.

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PREVIEW

How to play: Language Building Style

'Cómo Jugar: Estilo de palabras clave'

1 Set up Each player takes a <i>tabla</i> (board) and 16 tokens. Play with 2–30 people.	2 Pick how to win First it is row, four corners, or a full board. Decide before you start.	3 Read the clue <i>El Cantor</i> draws a card and reads the description aloud — but not the name!	4 Guess & play Players guess the card. The caller reveals it — find it and cover it.	5 Win First to finish the pattern shouts " <i>Lotería!</i> "
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How to Play: Language Building Style

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STEP 5

Winning

After each round, announce the winner and start another round. You can alternate the two ways to play to keep the fun going!

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¡Felicidades!

Congratulations!

Announce this round's winner and play another round!
 ¡Anuncia al ganador de esta ronda y jueguen otra vez!

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Congratulations!

¡Felicidades!

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STEP 6 · OPTIONAL

Let's talk about it

Include a brief conversation opportunity for your families. These simple questions guide a moment for sharing experiences, building connection, and strengthening relationships.

Parents & caregivers:

- Have you played Lotería before?
- If you have, what did your family use for tokens?
- What other games did you play as a family growing up?
- What games do you enjoy playing now?

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PREVIEW

OPTIONAL - FOR PARENTS & CAREGIVERS

Let's talk about it
¡Hablemos!

1 Have you played Lotería before?

2 What did your family use for tokens?

3 What games did you play growing up?

4 What games do you enjoy now?

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BONUS SECTION



Make it your own

Add information specific to your campus or district. Use the editable slides below to introduce key concepts and resources that support shared language across your school community.

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STEP 7 · OPTIONAL

School concepts

Edit each slide to include the concepts you would like to share. We recommend a brief description for each, similar to what you would find at the back of the Frankly Lotería deck. Add your own image or use one of the visuals provided.

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MAKE IT YOUR OWN [YOUR CAMPUS]
Your online parent and student portal.

Use this slide to introduce what the portal and how they log in.

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Make it yours

Student information system

Your online parent/student portal.

Slide 7



MAKE IT YOUR OWN [YOUR CAMPUS]
State, district and campus policies.

Use this slide to share information about specific attendance requirements and how to report absences and tardies documentation at your campus.

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Make it yours

Attendance

Policies & how to report.

Slide 8



MAKE IT YOUR OWN [YOUR CAMPUS]
Communication platforms and tools.

Use this slide to share with families the different communication platforms for your campus and district.

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Home & school communication

Preferred channels & tools.



Add your own

Duplicate a slide for any concept.

Thank you

Thank your families for their participation and invite them to use some of the shared language they learned during the Frankly Lotería Family Night.

PRO TIP

Share some of the shared language on your social media and communication platforms to increase exposure and encourage families to implement this vocabulary at home.

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¡Gracias! Thank you!

We hope tonight sparked connection, laughter, and a shared language between school and home. Esperamos que esta noche haya traído risas, conversaciones y un lenguaje compartido entre la escuela y la casa.

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Thank You!
¡Gracias!



¡Gracias!

Thank you for playing.

We hope your family night sparked connection, laughter, and a shared language between school and home.