

VOLUNTEER TO CREATE THESE SIMPLE LEARNING TOOLS!

Mali classrooms have few learning tools for students. By providing simple French/English flashcards, you can give students a fun way to learn that will also allow them to practice independently. Help us reach our goal of providing 750 sets of 30 flashcards to our students this year! Follow these guidelines to help:



Select the grade list you will work on: 7th, 8th, or 9th.

- 7th grade cards go on GREEN thick paper.
- 8th grade cards go on BLUE thick paper.
- 9th grade cards go on YELLOW thick paper.

Cut your paper into four rectangles (approx. 4.25X5.5)



With your selected grade list of words, do the following:

- Place a card horizontally (with its longest side along the bottom and top).
- On one side, write the word in French. Print neatly near the bottom and use 1/4 to 1/3 of the height of your card. This leaves room for an image.
- On the opposite, write the word in English. Print neatly and use half or more of the height of your card. (No image will be on this side, so the word can be larger.)



Add an image to the French side of the card.

- You may draw an image that portrays the word or cut one out from a magazine/clip art. You don't have to be a great artist -- fun, funky, simple drawings are fine. The image is just to help the children make the connection so you don't have to be exact. For example, if the word is shepherd you might draw a fluffy sheep.
- If you really feel you cannot draw, that's okay...maybe just decorate the edges of the card with stars or flowers.



Laminate the card.

- If possible, laminate the flashcards. This really extends their life in the harsh conditions of Mali. Schools are often willing to let you use their lamination machine!
- If you don't have access to a lamination machine, let us know and we can find a way to laminate them.



Make your cards into sets of 30 (different) cards.

- Rubber band them together with a fairly thick (strong) rubber band.
- Mail them!

Send finished flashcard sets to:

Mali Rising, PO Box 277, Salt Lake City, UT 84110