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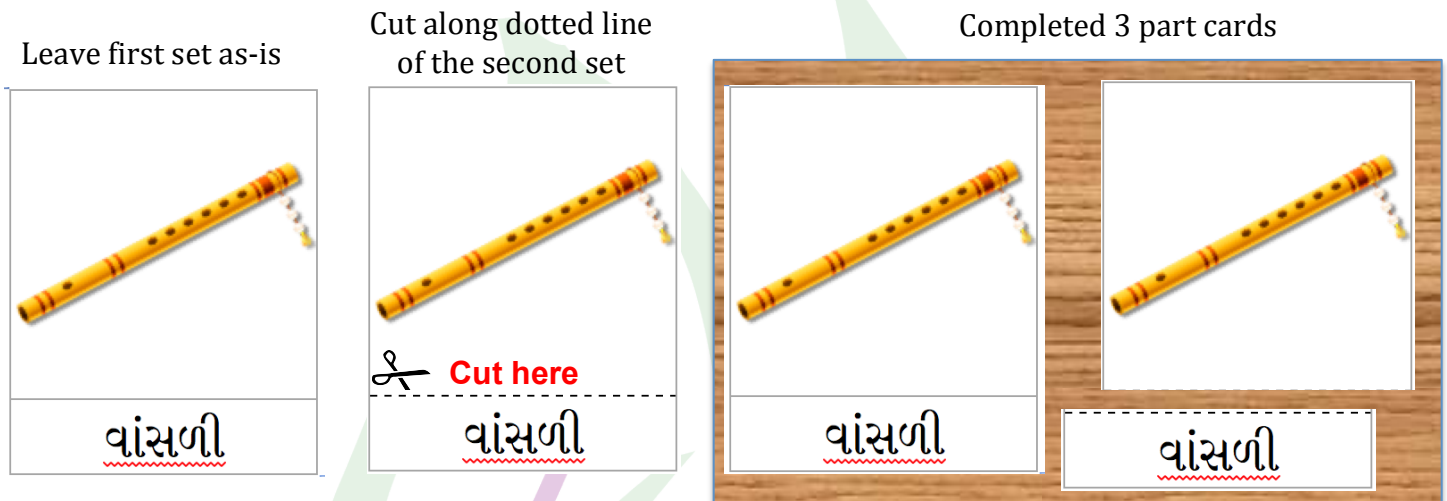


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How to use:

1. Use these cards as Montessori 3 part cards (look online for tutorials on how to present 3 part cards to your child)
 - a. Cut along the dotted lines to make the duplicate set into the complete 3 part set. See images below for details.



2. For babies and toddlers use these cards for matching with real objects, memory games, or flashcards
 - a. Cut both sets as-is (picture + word) and use as a memory game or matching one set of cards to the second set of cards
 - b. Prepare the 3 part cards as described in step 1a above and use just the picture card (from the second set) for matching real objects or use as pictorial flashcards and read the words out loud to your child. Check out the video on our blog for an example of how to present vocabulary to young children using the 3-period lesson.

NOTE: We encourage you to laminate these for longer use & durability.



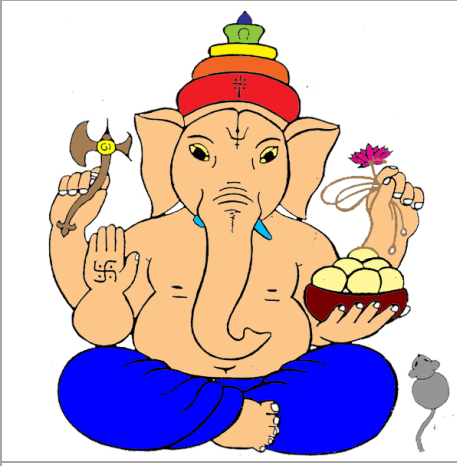
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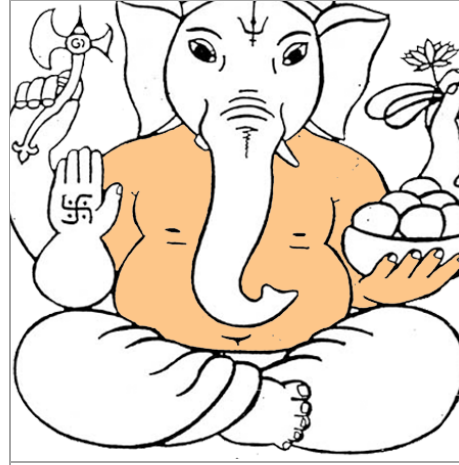
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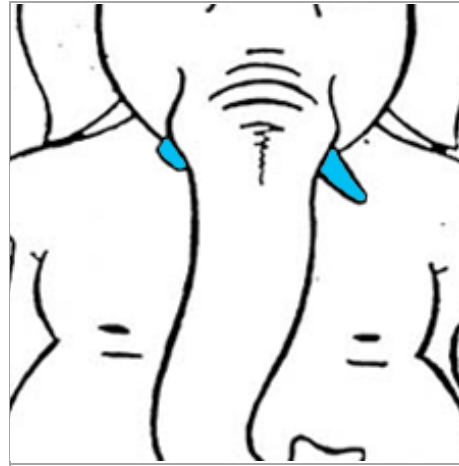
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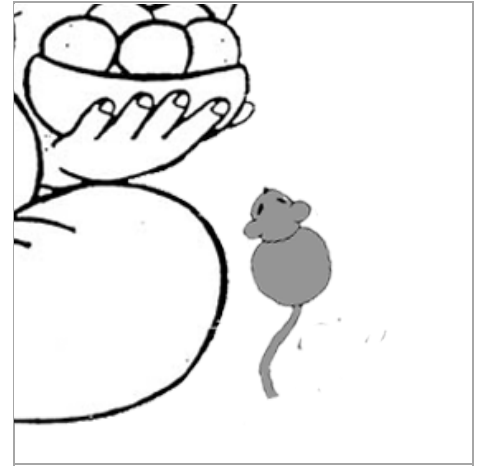
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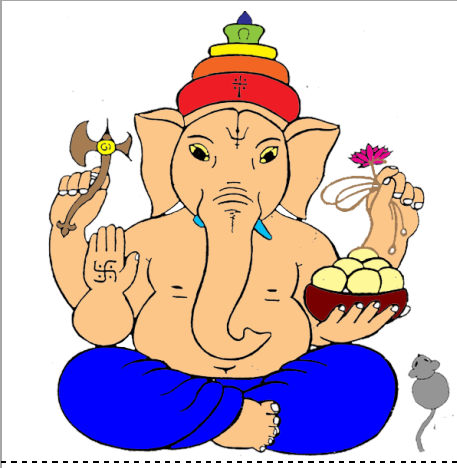
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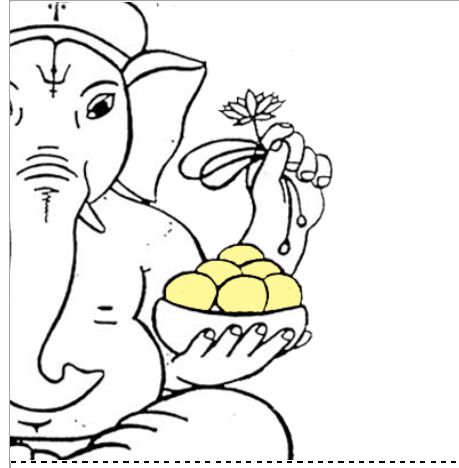
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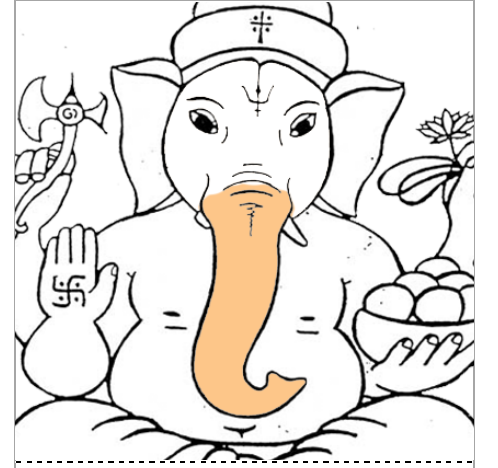
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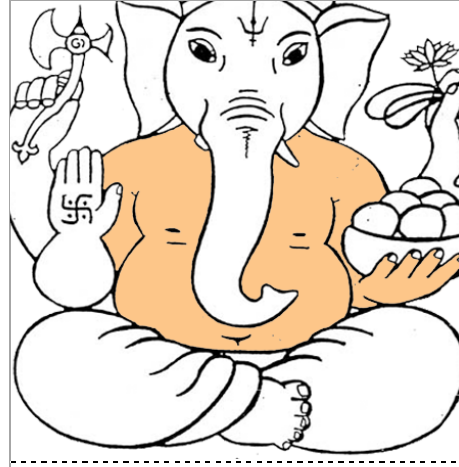
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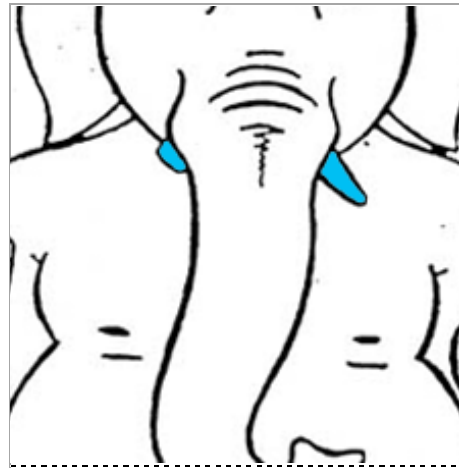
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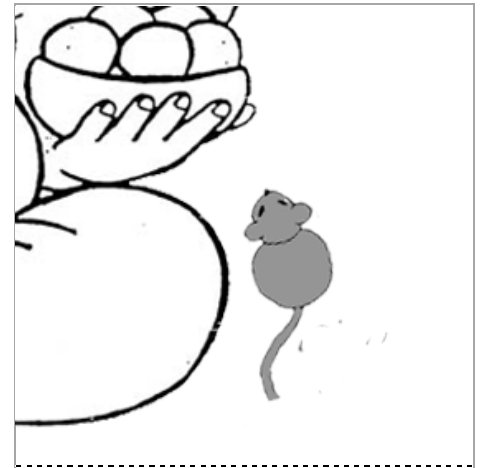
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Guide to phonetically pronouncing Gujarati words:

Ganesh Symbols	Phonetic Spelling	Meaning
ગણેશ	Guh-nesh	Lord Ganesh is known as Ganpati, Vinayaka, Ekdanta and has many other names. He is the Lord of good fortune, prosperity and success.
મોદક	Mo-duk	The modak, a sweet symbolizes the happiness that comes from spiritual pursuit or penance.
સુંઢ	Soo-ndh	His trunk symbolizes the importance of being efficient and adaptable in order to be successful
મોટુ માથું	Motu maathu	His big head is a reminder to think big
મોટુ પેટ	Motu Pet	His big stomach symbolizes the need to digest and take in all that life has to offer, the good & bad
મોટા કાન	Mota Kaan	His large ears symbolizes the need to listen more and discard what's bad

અંકુશ	Ankush	This weapon symbolizes that one should cut off all bonds of material and physical attachments.
દાંત	Daant	One tusk is whole, the other is broken, this symbolizes the need to retain good and throw away bad.
વાહન: મૂષક	Vaahun - Mooshuk	Most Hindu Gods/Goddess have an associated vehicle. The mouse is Lord Ganesh's vehicle. It symbolizes that it's good to have a little desire but to keep it in control. Do not let it control you.

This guide can be used as a reference to help your children pronounce words that may be unfamiliar.