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3. **Choose** two more kids to **count** how many times each kid says "forgiveness."

4. **Cue** the kids to start.

5. When time's up, **celebrate** with the kid who said "forgiveness" the most times.

6. **Repeat** steps 1-5 as time allows, picking new kids to play each round. **Choose** other phrases from the "Forgiveness Phrase Ideas" for fun!

What You'll Need:

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