

It is the **method of learning** used in the Kajoli model that makes it very attractive to the children. [See.....] No books, paper, pencil or pen are used for this purpose. A pocket board and pocket cards replace books, while blackboard and chalks replace paper, pen and pencils. Fun and games take a big chunk of the time spent at the center. In addition, children learn a large number nursery rhymes and poems to recite, songs to sing and stories to tell. The following provides brief descriptions of the material used in the Kajoli Model:

### 1. Pocket Board and Pocket Cards:



Pocket Board is the main teaching/learning tool in the Kajoli Model, which is made of cloth. It is called “**Pocket Board**” because when the piece of cloth is stitched it makes a large number of pockets in which

“**Pocket Cards**” are inserted. The Pocket Board and pocket cards are used to help the children recognize alphabets, letters/sound, and numbers. The board and the cards are also used for the children to construct words and sentences on them. The size of a Pocket Board is normally about 6 feet in length and 4 feet in width. In the Kajoli Model, pocket board and pocket cards replace the use of books in learning.

### 2. Pocket Card with Picture:



Pictured below is a sample pocket card with a picture of a mango or Aam in Bengali. From day one, as the children settle down in class the teacher would ask the children to identify the card with Aam and similar other words with pictures of the object on them. At this stage only words that do not need the use of vowel signs are introduced. Gradually words with vowels are also use. The children can identify the cards very easily as they are acquainted with the objects drawn on them and know their names. They enjoy this exercise very much and think that it is a game. In the process, unknown to themselves, they also learn how the words representing the pictures are written In scientific term it is known as the direct method of learning. In other words, without learning the alphabets first as is done normally. In all, 127 pocket cards with pictures are used in Kajoli model. Pictures used in these cards are picked-up from the known environment of the children.

### **3. Pocket Card without Picture:**



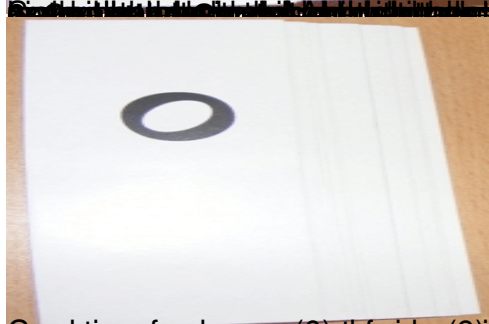
With this initiative, children can learn the Bengali word 'আম' (Am) in a fun and interactive way. The cards are designed to be used in a variety of ways, including as a memory game or a matching exercise.



By using this blackboard, children can learn the Bengali word 'আম' (Am) in a fun and interactive way. The blackboard is designed to be used in a variety of ways, including as a memory game or a matching exercise.



By using this stack of cards, children can learn the Bengali word 'আ' (A) in a fun and interactive way. The cards are designed to be used in a variety of ways, including as a memory game or a matching exercise.



By using this card, children can learn the Bengali word 'ও' (O) in a fun and interactive way. The card is designed to be used in a variety of ways, including as a memory game or a matching exercise.

7. **Mash War - Playing Cards:**

