

Helping your child with Phonics at home



Phonics activities to complete at home

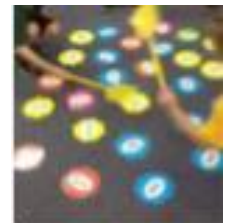
1. Phonics Baskets

Pick three or four different letters and make letter cards. Find some objects beginning with the four different sounds. Ask the children to sort the objects by beginning sound.



2. Splat the Word

Set out a range of different common exception words and give the children a spoon or spatula. Say a word and the children must splat it and say it. This could be adapted to play splat the sound eg: splat the s sound.



3. Make a word

Write a range of sounds onto square pieces of card. Spread the cards out and say a word—can the children find the cards and sequence them to make the word. This could be adapted to find the sound.



4. Hoopla

Write the common exception words or sounds and stick onto bottles. Ask the children to throw a hoop and say the word. This game can be adapted to play with sounds eg: throw the hoop on the s sound.



5. Write the sound

Place some letter cards on the table. Ask the children can they write the a sound etc. This can progress onto simple words like sun, pig, cat etc.

Other games:

I spy with my little eye

Play this game when you are out and about. Use the beginning sound of objects eg: I spy with my little eye something beginning with b etc. This can be adapted for the very early years “I spy something the colour.....”.

Tracing letters

When the children are really confident with their sounds. Draw a letter on their back and see if they can guess what it is. They can do this on your back too.

Top Tip: All these ideas are based around play activities. Have a go and see how many more games you or your child can think of.

Good Websites

<http://www.letters-and-sounds.com>

<http://www.phonicsplay.co.uk>

<https://www.phonicsbloom.com>

www.pinterest.com (Great for fun phonics ideas)

Good Apps

