

Developing rhyming skills

Nursery rhymes

Sing nursery rhymes together and emphasise the words that sound the same. When the child is familiar with the nursery rhyme, pause when you get to the rhyming word and see if the child can say it.

Stories

There are lots of rhyme stories available to buy. Sit with the child and read the story, emphasising the words that sound the same. You could go back through the book, saying the words that sound the same.

Feely Bags

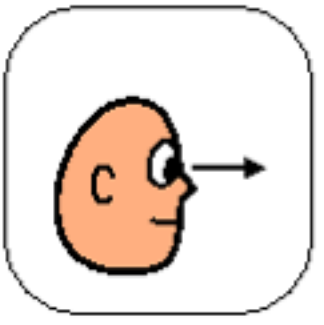
Put two items in a feely bag, e.g. a pear and a bear, a cat and a hat, a car and a pig. Ask the child to pick them out of the bag. You should then say the two words and ask the child if they sound the same or different. If the child answers incorrectly, say the words again and tell the child whether they sound the same or different. If the child answers correctly, praise them and repeat the words again, reiterating whether they sound the same or different.

Pairs

Cut up the rhyming cards. Put one of the sets of rhyming cards face down on the table. Take it in turns to turn over two cards. The adult should then say the words out loud and ask the child whether they sound the same or different. If the child answers incorrectly, say the words again and tell the child whether they sound the same or different. If the child answers correctly, praise them and repeat the words again, reiterating whether they sound the same or different.



Set A



Set B