

Phonics Games



Jigsaw Puzzles

Wrap up the letters of the alphabet.

Ask your child to pick up a letter, feel it and guess what the letter is.

Can they tell you the letter sound?

Unwrap the letters, say the letter sound and put it in the jigsaw.



Make your own alphabet wall chart.

This could be a fun long-term project to help children understand initial sounds.

e.g Think of different things that start with the sound A (*apple, ant, astronaut, etc.*)



Blast the sounds with a water gun or nerf gun

Print or write the sounds onto paper and stick on them on the wall.

Say a sound and ask your child to hit the sound with a water gun, nerf gun or soft ball.



Take the sounds outside!

Write some sounds on the walls or the ground outside with chalk.
Say a sound and ask your child to trace over the sound with a paint brush and water.



Write the sounds on the ground with chalk.
Call out a sound and ask your child to bounce a ball on the sound or run to a sound.
(Call out the sounds quickly so they are getting some exercise too!)

j	v	y	z
w	x	zz	qu
ai	ee	oo	ar
igh	oa	or	ur

Phonics Hunt

Write the sounds on pieces of paper and hide them around the room.
Ask your child to search for the sounds and read them to you when they find them.
Ask them to write the sounds on paper.
Ask them to make words with the sounds they have found.



Whiteboards or Chalkboards

Write the sounds and ask your child to think of two or three words containing this sound.

Make it interesting by writing on a chalkboard, some brown paper or a whiteboard.



I Spy Sounds

I Spy - "I spy with my little eye something beginning with the sound a"
Play continues with "I spy with my little eye something beginning with the sound b"

"I spy with my little eye something beginning with the sound c" etc.



I Spy Sticker Picture

Make a Sticker Picture with your child.
Chat about the different stickers saying the words and pointing to the stickers.
Then say "I spy with my little eye something beginning with the sound c" etc...



Duplo Blocks

Arrange some blocks for your child to use.
Write some sounds on the blocks.

Say a word and ask your child to make it using the blocks.

They should say the word, sound it out, then put the blocks in the correct order.
high, sigh, light, might, night, right, sight, fight, tight.

