

## Home Learning 10

Play is young children's learning.

**Chat:** encourage talking together.

**Play:** children's language thrives when they interact and explore in a playful and creative manner.

**Read:** by sharing books you are introducing your child to new worlds, new adventures, and lots of new vocabulary.

**You will know your child's levels of concentration and language best and you need to adapt all these activities to meet their developmental stage and interests.**



### Letters and Sounds: For three- and four-year olds. Story Sounds

This game will help your child to use a wide vocabulary to talk about different sounds. Together select a favourite story.

As you read or tell the story discuss what different sounds you might add to the story. Use household objects, body parts or your voice to make the sounds such as fairy wings fluttering, giant footsteps or the sound of Jack's footsteps as he tiptoes past the giant and when he runs to escape in "Jack and the Beanstalk."



### Floating Challenge

Can you float a two pence coin on a lemon? Add water and a lemon or a small circular object such as a ball that floats to a small bowl. Carefully try to place a two pence coin onto the object. This activity will help your child develop problem solving skills, patience, persistence, anticipation, and control of small hand movements. As you take turns with this challenge, describe what you see your child doing. This will help him or her to learn the words that match their actions. Give lots of praise for trying again and again to float the coin.



### Kim's Game

Kim's Games help children to develop memory skills and to add new words to their vocabulary. Collect items from around the house, for young children start with 2 or 3 objects, for older start with about 6 objects. Name and describe all the objects and then cover them. Ask your child to remember the objects. Or remove one object and ask, 'What's

missing?' Create more challenge by asking your child to describe the missing object.

### Number Rhyme: Ten Little Monkeys.

This number rhyme helps children learn number names, new words and create different movements. The monkeys could be changed for different objects such as cars, teddy bears and other toys. Together practice counting the objects and decide which object matches which action. Older children will enjoy changing the actions and making up their own song. All children will enjoy creatively finding different ways to show the actions of the monkeys.



### Ten little Monkeys

- One little monkey swinging in a tree.
- Two little monkeys splashing in the sea.
- Three little monkeys playing on a swing.
- Four little monkeys dancing in a ring.
- Five little monkeys drinking lemonade.
- Six little monkeys digging with a spade.
- Seven little monkeys chasing pussy cats.
- Eight little monkeys wearing funny hats.
- Nine little monkeys nodding little heads.
- Ten little monkeys sleeping in their beds.



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