



Percussion

Play simple instruments like sticks or use a wooden spoon on a pan or plastic bowl.



Play fast, slow, loud and quiet.



Play along to songs.

Drag a stick along a fence.

Use your bodies—clap, tap, and stamp.



Playing with voice sounds

Make different sounds with your voices.

Say boing when you bounce a ball.



Say wheeeeeee when your child goes down a slide. Make different animal noises when you see them or in songs and stories.



Help at home

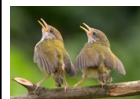
Phonics



Stories, songs & rhymes

Sing along with songs and rhymes. Lots of them include voice sounds and actions.

Read simple rhyming stories and sing songs until you know them really well. Can you miss out the rhyming word for your child to say? Try singing silly alternatives like Twinkle, twinkle, chocolate bar.



Lots of listening



Notice and talk about sounds you hear. You might notice a boiling kettle, jangling keys, birds tweeting or a noisy lorry.

Talk about what sounds mean—"I heard a knock—there must be somebody at the door."



Talk about the sounds you make when you splash in puddles or walk on crunchy leaves.



Letters and Sounds

Play with sounds in words by making up silly names for your child or their toys. They could begin with the same sound or rhyme

- Super Sami, Polly Panda, Zeki Zebra
- Dizzy Izzy, Splat Cat, Bippo Hipp (You can make up words)



Play 'I spy' using the letter sound— I spy with my little eye something beginning with ssss.... It's a ssss-sock. I spy with my little eye something beginning with th.... It's my th-thumb.