

SOUND AWARENESS – Level 1

ULTIMATE GOAL

 For the children to have sound awareness skills appropriate for their developmental age.

TAREGTS

- The children will be able to count and delete syllables from multi syllabic words to 100% accuracy.
- The children will be able to identify initial sounds from the adult's and their own productions to 100% accuracy.

This pack contains six session plans and resources to be used with a group of children over a six week period. It is possible for a Speech and Language Therapy Assistant or Teaching Assistant to provide this input.

It is recommended that you ask your Speech and Language Therapist to assess the children's sound awareness skills before beginning the sessions. This is so that they can be grouped with other children at a similar level to them. If you have any further questions please contact your Speech and Language Therapist at:

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As children get older they become more aware of sounds in words and how words are formed. Sound awareness activities support children's speech sound development and are also useful when children are learning to read and write.

Considerations

Make sure the group room is quiet with few distractions.

Try to keep the sessions fun so the children will be motivated to participate.

Use reward charts, stickers or toys to motivate the children to complete tasks.

The suggested activities can be adapted to suit the needs of the children in your group. For example, if a child has a difficulty saying the 't' sound make sure that you don't ask them to identify this sound when listening and attempt to produce it verbally. You could use visual support or choose different sounds to listen to.

When clapping syllables you can also change the activities so that the child bangs on a drum for each part of the word they can hear, this can be passed around the group. The children could also take turns to stand up and stamp there feet as they say the word to count how many syllables they hear.

If you would like more picture cards to use you can cut them out of magazines or use cards you may have in school e.g. phonic card sets.

You may need to explain some of the words you are using in the tasks for the children e.g 'the first sound is the one that is at the beginning or at the start'. You can use blocks to show them the 'first' block in a line.



SESSION ONE

Aim	Activity	Step Up	Step Down
The children	Listen to me 'cowboy'	Alternate	Use 2 syllable
will be able to	(clap the syllables each	between words	compound word
count syllables	time you say the word).	with 2 and 3	pictures.
to 90%	'cowboy' has two parts	syllables.	
accuracy.	'cow' and 'boy' so I did 2		You can provide
	claps. You do it with me,		more examples
	'cowboy'. Well done 2		for the children.
	claps like this 'cowboy'.		Explain that
			there are two
	Use the 2 syllable		words that you
	non-compound word		can hear and if
	pictures. You can use a		you put them
	game such as pop up		together it
	pirate, every time a child		makes a
	has a turn ask all the		different word.
	children to try and clap		
	how many parts they can		
	hear in the word.		

٠	The children will be able to identify initial	When I say the word 'bus' the sound I say at the beginning of the word	Use sounds that are more similar e.g. 'p'	Say the word aloud a few times for the
	sounds to 90%	is 'b'. 'bus' can you hear	and 'b'	children to hear.
	accuracy.	the 'b' sound at the		Can you hear
		beginning? 'bus' 'b' 'bus'.		'bus' or 'gus'? 'b'
		Choose two sounds that		or 'g'?
		are quite different e.g. 'g'		
		and 'f' give the children		You could also
		each a <i>picture card to</i>		use blocks for
		represent these sounds.		each sound in
		Ask them to hold up the		the word e.g.
		picture card they think		take 3 blocks for
		they can hear at the		'bus' and point
		beginning of the words		to each block as
		for each word that you		you say 'b' 'u'
		say. Present 'g' or 'f'		's'.
		picture cards to the		
		children one at a time		
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SESSION TWO

use letters.

and say the word aloud

for them. You could also

Aim	Activity	Step Up	Step Down	
The children	Use the 3 syllable word	Use all the	Demonstrate	
will be able to	pictures. You can put the	syllable card	clapping 3	
count syllables	pictures in a line across	pictures (1-4).	syllable words. If	
to 90%	the floor, every time a		this is too	
accuracy.	child reaches the next		challenging use	
	card ask them to try and		the 2 syllable	
	clap how many parts		word pictures.	
	they can hear in the			
	word. You could have a			
	separate line for each			
	child and have a race to			

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	see who can get across the room first.		
The children will be able to identify initial sounds to 90% accuracy.	Use the 'f' 's' 'g' initial sound pictures. Hide the pictures around the room and let the children take it in turns to find a card. They then have to either hold up a sound card or say which sound they can hear at the beginning of the word.	Talk about how that sound is made e.g. is it a loud sound or a quiet sound? Is it a long or short sound?	Provide them with choices e.g. 'can you hear 'f' 's' or 'g'? Reduce to 2 choices if necessary.



SESSION THREE

Aim	Activity	Step Up	Step Down
The children	Use all the syllable card	-	Demonstrate
will be able to	pictures (1-4). Every time		clapping how
count syllables	the child has a turn on a		many parts are

to 100% accuracy.	game, such as Pop Up Pirate they must clap how many parts are in the word after the adult has said the word.		in the word. Use blocks to show them the parts visually, pointing to each block when saying the sounds.
The children will be able to identify initial sounds to 100% accuracy.	Use the 't' 'l' 'k' initial sound pictures. After hearing the word the children have to either hold up a sound card or say which sound they can hear at the beginning of the word. You can get the children to sort the pictures into piles e.g. all the words starting with 't'.	Talk about how that sound is made e.g. is it a loud sound or a quiet sound? Is it a long or short sound?	Provide them with choices e.g. 'can you hear 't' 'l' or 'k'? Reduce to 2 choices if necessary.



SESSION FOUR

Aim	Activity	Step Up	Step Down
The children will be able to delete syllables to 90% accuracy.	Listen to me, 'cowboy' (clap the syllables when you say the word). 'Cowboy' has 2 parts. If we take away the last part we 'just have 'cow'. Clap 'cow' and then do one clap without saying 'boy'. Use the 2 syllable (compound) pictures. Play a game such as Pop Up Pirate and each turn the child has they have to try taking away the last part of the word.	Use all the 2 syllable pictures. The children could also try deleting the last part of a 3 syllable word.	Demonstrate clapping how many parts are in the word and then saying just the first syllable. Use blocks to show them the parts visually, pointing to each block when saying the sounds, and then taking one part away.
The children will be able to identify initial sounds to 90% accuracy from their productions.	The child will produce the word without the adult modelling it. They then have to identify the first sound. They can do this by pointing to the sound card of the word they said or saying the sound on its own. Use sounds that are quite different e.g. 't' and 'g' first.	Introduce another more sound cards e.g. the 's' sound.	Provide them with choices e.g. 'can you hear 't' or 'g'? Say the word for the child to hear, 'teddy' or 'geddy'?



SESSION FIVE

Aim	Activity	Step Up	Step Down
The children will be able to delete syllables to 90% accuracy.	Listen to me, 'cowboy' (clap the syllables when you say the word). 'Cowboy' has 2 parts. If we take away the first part we 'just have 'boy'. Clap and then say 'boy' whilst clapping again. Use the 2 syllable (compound) pictures. Let the children each choose a puzzle and each time they choose a piece they have to take a picture card.	Use all the 2 syllable pictures. The children could also try deleting the first part of a 3 syllable word.	Demonstrate clapping how many parts are in the word and then saying just the last syllable. Use blocks to show them the parts visually, pointing to each block when saying the sounds, and then taking one part away.
The children will be able to identify initial sounds to 90% accuracy from their productions.	The child will produce the word without the adult modelling it. They then have to identify the first sound. They can do this by pointing to the sound card of the word they said or saying the	Introduce another sound for the child to differentiate between e.g. the 'g' picture cards.	Provide them with choices e.g. 'can you hear 'l' or 'f'? Say the word for the child to hear, 'farm' or 'larm'?

sound on its own. Use	
the 'l' 'k' and 'f' picture	
cards. You can use a	
game to motivate the	
children whilst doing this	
activity.	



SESSION SIX

Aim	Activity	Step Up	Step Down
Aim The children will be able to delete syllables to 100% accuracy.	Activity Use all of the syllable picture cards and take it in turns to ask the children to delete either the first or the last syllable of the word. You can put the pictures in a bag and ask the children to take turns to pick one out. You could also use a game alongside this activity.	Step Up Ask the child to add on another nonsense syllable e.g what do you get if you add 'lok' at the beginning of the word 'bee'? You can make these up.	Demonstrate clapping how many parts are in the word and then saying just the first/last syllable. Use blocks to show them the parts visually, pointing to each block when saying the sounds, and
			then taking one part away.

The children will be able to identify initial sounds to 100% accuracy from their productions.	The child will produce the word without the adult modelling it. They then have to identify the first sound. They can do this by pointing to the sound card of the word they said or saying the sound on its own. Use 't' 'g' and 's' picture cards. You could hide the picture cards around the room for the children to take it in turns to find a picture.	Introduce another sound for the child to differentiate between e.g. the 'k' picture cards.	Provide them with choices e.g. 'can you hear 't' or 's'? Say the word for the child to hear, 'tea' or 'sea'?
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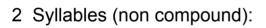


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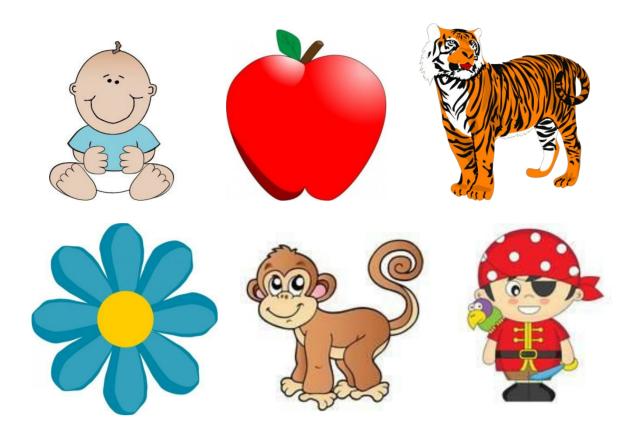
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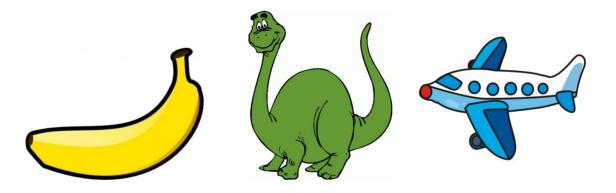


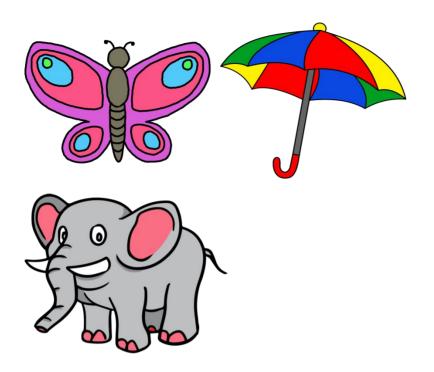






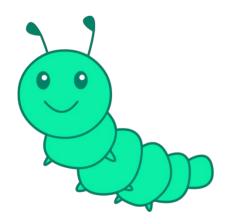
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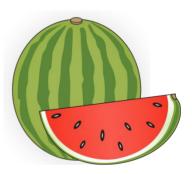


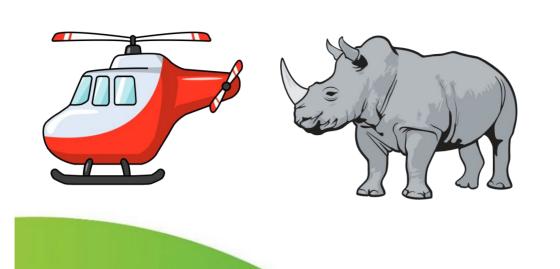


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List of Words for Further Practice

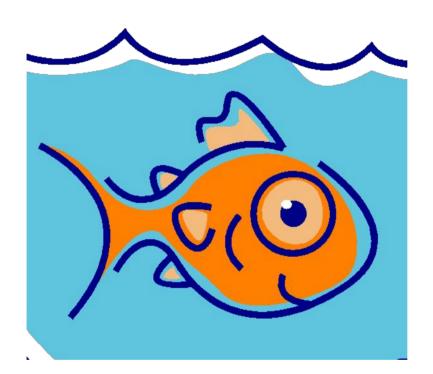
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bath	rabbit	computer	superhero
drink	pencil	hospital	alligator
cat	pizza	tomato	tarantula
phone	table	lemonade	thermometer
pen	teacher	fingernail	binoculars
car	toilet	ladybird	
doll	doctor	magazine	
tooth	dinner	animal	
sun	birthday	microwave	
pan	farmer	pyjamas	
bow	finger	rectangle	
Dad	breakfast	roundabout	
hat	music	television	
pie	yellow	ambulance	
ball	purple	hamburger	
toy	circle	strawberry	
girl	shower	octopus	
tap	tissue	triangle	
kick	sandwich		
sad	brother		
duck	sister		
bike	bathroom		
dress	window		
light	happy		
king	rocket		
comb	scissors		
	frozen		

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Initial Sound Cads

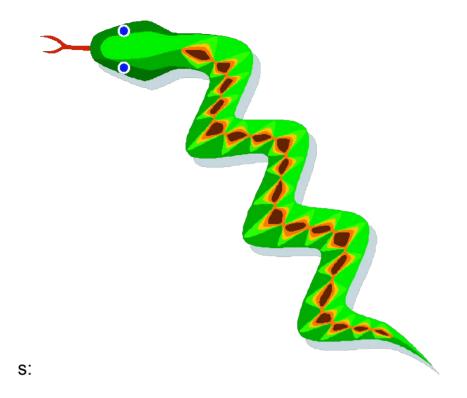
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Initial Sound Picture Cards

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