

Rhyme Production

Activities to try:

1. Feely bags – fill a bag with objects: can you feel something in the bag that rhymes with cat? (you could use real words or non-words that rhyme).
2. I spy with my little eye something that rhymes with cat...
3. Bean bag catch – pass and think of a word that rhymes with cat – keep passing till no more rhyming words can be thought of. The words can be real or nonsense words.
4. Bouncing ball on floor – how many words can you think of that rhyme with cat, bounce ball until you can't think of any more.
5. Make rhyming paper chains.
6. Working as a team to make small rhyming books – e.g. – words that rhyme with cat book
7. Making rhyming rockets (pictures not words)
8. Making rhyming jars using pictures not words
9. Make up silly Rhymes – “a wiggly waggly woo, an elephant sat on you, a wiggly waggly wames, an elephant sat on James!” Start the rhyming couplet and let the children try to finish it.
10. Rhyming your name: Choose a child's name and make nonsense rhymes with it using the different phonic sounds as you go e.g. Aan, Ban, Can, Dan, E-an, Fan, Gan ... for Dan.
11. I know a word: Throughout the course of daily activities, encourage the children to think about and play with rhyming words. The adult begins with the prompt: *I know a word that rhymes with cat, you need to put one on your head and the word is...hat.* This can be used for all sorts of situations and also with some children's names: *I know a girl whose dress is neater, she is sitting next to Sally and her name is... Rita.* As children become familiar with rhyme, they will supply the missing word themselves.