

What's In The Box?

This game is to help your child make sense of the world and solve problems using language. These are important skills for your child to learn.

To play this game you will need some objects from around home e.g. cup, apple, book, toy, pencils, keys, etc.

Show your child all the objects as you place them in the box. Explain to your child that he or she is going to be a detective. You will give him or her some clues and your child has to try and guess what is in the box,

e.g. 'the first thing is round and hard and you eat it'

A few times take the wrong item out of the box and see if your child can tell you why that is the wrong item.

e.g. Adult: 'It's round, and green, it has pips. What is in the box.'

Child: 'An apple.'

Adult: (takes out the book) 'Is this right?'

Child: 'No.'

Adult: 'Why is this not the right thing?'

Encourage your child to tell you how they have worked out the answers.



Variations

To make this game easier choose fewer objects to go in the box.

To make this game harder use more objects and do not show them to your child.