

## Farmyard Sounds











This game is to help your child listen carefully. This is an important step in early language development because children learn to talk through listening and interacting.

You will need to use the pictures attached to play a lotto game. Cut one set into the pictures and keep the other set as the board. Give your child the lotto board and place the other pictures face down in a pile.

Before you start make sure your child knows the sound each animal makes.

Take a picture from the pile but do not show it to your child. Make the animal noise and ask your child to point to the animal that makes that noise. You may need to encourage your child to listen carefully and to look at the board when you make the noise. When your child has got all the pictures on their board you could ask what noise each animal makes. You could also ask him or her to tell you the animal that says moo etc.

When your child can do this easily you could link an action to the noise e.g. flapping wings for the duck. Each time you make the duck sound encourage your child to do the action before putting the picture on the board.

## Variations:

To make this game easier use half of the board or show your child the picture as you make the noise.

To make this game harder let your child be the 'teacher'. Give your child the pile of pictures and you have the board. Ask your child to make the animal noises for you. See if your child can spot your 'mistakes'.



## Farmyard sounds pictures













