

What's In The bag?

This game is to help your child learn 'what' and 'why' questions and understand simple reasoning i.e. working out an answer.

You will need some everyday objects for this game e.g. cup, fork, apple, keys, book, sock etc. You will also need a bag.

Place the objects in the bag and tell your child that they are 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 bag,

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

A few times take the wrong item out of the bag 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 and you eat it.'

What is in the bag?'

child: 'An apple.'

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

child: 'No'

adult: '**Why** is this not the right thing?'



Variations:

To make this game easier use two objects. Show and describe them both to your child before you put them in the bag.

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