This game is to help your child learn to match things. This is important for vocabulary building as it is the first step in learning to tell what is the same and different about items. This game also works on early problem solving skills and your child’s ability to identify colours.

You will need some different coloured bricks to play this game.

Choose two colours, e.g. red and yellow. Put three bricks of one colour and one brick of a different colour in a line in front of your child. Ask your child to tell you which is the odd one out i.e. which one is different. Remember to ask your child what is the same about the other bricks. When your child can do this easily start putting the bricks in a sequence, e.g. red, yellow, red, yellow, red, green.

Ask your child which is the odd one out and encourage him or her to tell you why. You could then ask your child to complete the sequence correctly.

Variations:

To make this game easier use longer lines of one colour before you put a different colour in the line.

To make this game harder use everyday household objects. Place three plates on the table and one cup and ask your child which is the odd one out and why.