

Listening Game

Activity: Listening Game (**Simon says**)

Resources needed: Good listening ears

What you need to do: Play Simon says- It is a good way of practicing their speaking, listening and memory skills without them even noticing.

The person who is Simon can try to trick players by saying an action, but not saying 'Simon says' before the action. If anyone does this action, they are out and sit down for the rest of the game. That's it!

Links to EYFS areas of development: Communication and Language- Listening and Attention- Play games which involve listening for a signal, such as 'Simon Says', and use 'ready, steady...go!'

For those children who find it difficult to 'listen and do', say their name before giving an instruction or asking a question.

What your child will get from the activity: We know children learn and practise social skills through play, so let's take a look at what is going on while playing this game.

As children practise following the rules (only doing the action when Simon says, or sitting quietly if they are out)

they are learning emotional and impulse control, and learning to maintain focus and follow instructions and take turns.

By following the actions, children are also developing their motor skills and getting physically active.