Rhyming Pieces (L100227)

Activity Ideas

These rhyming pieces can be used for a variety of activities and are ideal for phase 1 phonics to help develop knowledge about rhyme. Spend time looking at the pictures and talking about the pairs and then try some of these rhyming activities.



Rhyming Bingo

Give each child in a small group a set of 3 pieces with rhyming names. Hide in a bag a set of pieces that have the same rhyming strings you have given the children. The children take turns to draw out of the bag one piece at a time. Invite the children to call out when they see a piece that rhymes with theirs and collect it from the child who has drawn it from the bag. After each rhyming set is completed chant together and list the rhyming names. As you name the different pieces give emphasis to the rhyming pattern.

Rhyming Pairs

In a pairs game, use pieces with names that rhyme. The children take it in turns to turn two pieces over and keep them if the pictures are a rhyming pair. If they are not a rhyming pair, the pieces are turned face down again and the other person has a turn. An extension to this activity could involve turning the pieces over when they have been identified as pair and seeing who can remember where the matching pairs were. Then uncover the tiles and see if they match.

Odd One Out

Put out three pieces, two with names that rhyme and one with a name that does not. Ask the child to identify the 'odd one out' (the name that does not rhyme). Start with a small set of words that can then be extended.



Treasure Hunt

Use the pieces to play a treasure hunt game e.g. – give each child a piece from a rhyming pair and let them hunt out the other piece.

Hide and Seek

Hide the pieces in soft sand and let the children uncover the different pieces until they find a pair.

Circle Rhyme Hunt

Give out the wooden pieces so that each child has one. Go around the circle and ask the children to say the name of their object. Then announce that it's 'rhyme hunt' time and ask the children to stand with the child that has the other part of their rhyming pair.

Funny Rhymes

Guess next word in nursery rhyme or in a rhyming story. Try out different rhyming words and make up funny rhymes of your own.

Rhyming Soup

Put the pieces into a saucepan to mix them up. Spoon out a rhyming piece, say its name and see if the children can find other words in the soup that rhyme with it. You could make up a rhyming soup rhyme like, Mix it, Stir it, Pop it in the pan, Find a word that rhymes with_____ as quickly as you can.

Continue a Rhyming String

Scatter the pieces on a table or carpet and ask a child to choose a piece and say what it is. Find other pieces that rhyme and challenge them to continue the rhyming string. How many words can they find the rhyme?



Rhyming Tray

Show the objects on a tray. Identify the objects. Pick an object and say its name out loud. Look for other objects that rhyme. You could also try covering the tray and getting the children to recall the objects giving them rhyming clues where necessary.

Rhyme Snap

Make up a rhyming snap game based on the traditional game. Players must snap pieces that rhyme. Reveal a rhyming piece and call out 'SNAP!' if you can match with the rhyming word. The person who calls snap first gets to keep the piece and the person with the most pieces at the end wins.

Some Rhyming Pair Examples Include:	
Car	Star
Mug	Jug
Moon	Spoon
Dog	Frog
King	Ring
Hen	Pen
Cake	Snake
Bell	Shell
House	Mouse
Plate	Gate

Care Instructions

Wipe clean with a damp cloth Do not use in water

