General Sound Discrimination Environmental Sounds

Home Learning Challenge



Go

on a Listening Walk!
You could go around your
house or an outside area with an
adult and practise listening
carefully to all the different sounds
you hear. Talk about what you
heard. Did you recognise all the
sounds? Were they loud or
quiet? Were they long or
short sounds?

Make your own noisy
shaker! You could make a
shaker by putting some small items
into a plastic pot and covering the top
with paper or silver foil. Trying using
some different items for the inside of
your shaker — you could try rice,
buttons, marbles or dried pasta.
Which sound do you like
best?

Play the game 'I Hear with My Little Ear'! Take it in turns to imitate the sound of something and guess what makes that sound. You could imitate the sounds of things found around your house like a clock or a telephone or of recognisable animals like a cat or dog.

Make a collection of
your own noise makers.
Think about lots of different
things that make a sound and
gather them together in a box or bag.
Use one of the objects to make a
sound for others to guess and
identify. You could include things
like crisp packets, keys, coins in
a pot, a rattle or a
squeaky toy.

Play
a listening game by
hiding a small toy and using
vocal clues to guide your partner
to find the toy. When they get
nearer to the hidden toy, make your
voice louder; when they get further
away make your voice quieter. You
could try singing a song or rhyme
at different volumes or making
different voice sounds, like

'sss' or 'mmm'.



Talk



about sounds you like
and sounds you don't like
and why. Draw some pictures of
things that make sounds that you
like — for example, birds
singing, the sea or a
doorbell.

