# HOW TO PROMOTE PHONICS AT HOME 

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## What Are Phonics?

Phonics is a way of teaching children the process involved with making words. It is a way of pairing letters together with similar sounds to make different words. For example: CAT is split into the letters: C.A.T.

Each word is sounded out individually before grouping the words together at the end to make the final word.

Phonics is tricky to begin with, but once you familiarise yourself with how the process works it becomes easier.

The key think to remember is to break the word down into it's letters. Lets take the word CHURCH for example. Lets split the word into it's letters...

## How it works

First Split the word CHURCH into it's letters C.H.U.R.C.H

Next group the letters with their sounds

Finally, sound the letters out as a whole

## Make Some Silly Sounds

Enjoy this silly rhyme that encourages children to learn letter sounds.

> Silly Sounds, silly sounds, I like making silly sounds. Can you join me and make them too, Silly Sounds are good for you

Silly Sounds rhyme (to the tune of 'this old man')

## How to play

The simplicity of this game is what makes it a joy to do both in large groups and 1 to 1 .

Begin by collecting a variety of items that you can find that begin with different letters of the alphabet. Place them into a box and keep another empty box for later in the activity, Don't show the children the objects. Then using the Flashcards from our resource section, show the children a letter. Sound it out for them correctly, before allowing them to try. Once done ask the children about an object which might start with that letter, before pulling the correct object out of the box. Sing the rhyme and then place the object into the spare box. Continue this process for the remaining objects.

## Worksheet 1

Complete the words in this section below.
Remember to break the words down into different sounds.


## Worksheet 2

Let us learn OW and OU sounding words

Circle the OW words


Complete these words OW or OU
T.......er M.......se Sh.......er

Write OW or OU words in this box

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