



Therapi Iaith a Lleferydd i Blant Children's Speech & Language Therapy

Sound bombardment

Sound bombardment activities develop children's early awareness of sounds in words.

How?

- ★ Choose a 'theme' sound for a few days or a week.
- ★ Find different items or pictures from around your home that begin with your theme sound.
- ★ You can put the items in a box, bag or pillowcase, or you could hide them around the room or garden for your child to find.
- ★ Name the items/pictures for your child emphasising the first sound so your child can hear a clear version of the word.



- ★ The main focus is for your child to **LISTEN** to the sounds. Don't ask or tell your child to say the words but if they want to join in themselves that is fine. Don't worry if they are still changing or missing out the sounds in their own versions of the words for now.



Remember - it is important to focus on the first sound in the word not the first written letter as the letter may result in a different sound.

Suggestions:

sound	examples of words / items to use or talk about
s	sock, sun, soup, soap, sink, sausages, circle, star, spider
p	pear, pen, pig, pan, pencil, purse, pie, paper, peg, penguin
c/k	cake, candle, cat, key, king, castle, kite, cushion, car, carrot
f	fish, fairy, frog, fork, food, football, phone, photo, fire engine

Click on the video link below for further information and ideas on how you can do the activities at home with your child.

[Sound bombardment activities \(Cardiff and Vale SLT video on YouTube\)](#)