

The Grand National



This game is to help your child practise listening to sounds at the beginning of words. You will need some counters to play this game. Choose one of the sound cards and place it on the board. Mix up all the word pictures and place them in a pile face down on the floor or table.

The first player takes a picture from the pile. If the picture has the same sound at the beginning as the sound card he or she can move forward three spaces. However if the word has a different sound then the player must move back one space. The horse who gets to the finish line first is the winner.

Remember to say the words clearly for your child emphasising the first sound and giving him or her reminders of the sound they are listening for.

Variations

To make this game easier use fewer pictures and only move forwards.

To make this game harder ask your child to think of other words beginning with the same sound at the end of the game.











soap, sun, sock, sick, sofa, sandwich, seven, sing, sandpit, salad, shoe, ship, sheep, shed, shop, shelf, shark, shampoo, shaker, sharpener

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