

Children's Speech and Language Therapy Service

Playing with Sounds: The 'b' sound

Activities you can try at home:

- Play with balls. Bounce and roll them between you and your child using 'b' sound.
- Use balloons and bat them in the air. Use the 'b' sound as you bat the balloon.
- Colour in pictures of characters whose names begin with the 'b' sound, e.g. Bob the builder, Baloo the bear, etc. Say the 'b' words to your child as they colour.
- Play a hiding game with 'b' toys, asking, "Where is the bear?" and saying "Boo! Bear!"
- Sing songs that include lots of the 'b' sound in e.g. "Baa baa black sheep", 'Bob the builder' and 'Wheels on the bus' 'Wind the bobbin up'.
- Read books that have characters who's names start with the 'b' sound. Emphasise this sound. You could change the names of characters to 'b' names like Billy, Betty, Beau, Becky.

Remember: Your child doesn't need to say the 'b' sound, the important thing is that they listen to you. If they choose to copy you- great, but don't ask them to.

Have fun!