

# Speech and Language Therapy at Home #1

These weekly newsletters will give you information and optional activities to help support your child's speech and language skills at home while school is closed. There are 3 levels of activity - start with 'keep it simple'. If this is too easy, move up to the next level. You do not need a printer! The following weekly newsletters will be posted on the school website.

## This week's topic: word-finding

### Did you know...

Students with language disorder can find it more difficult to **remember words** or **think of the word they want to use when speaking**.



Building knowledge of **word categories** and **words that link together** can help your child to learn and remember words.



### Activities to do with your child:

#### Keep it simple:

Category game - take turns naming something in the category. If you can't say any more, you're out!

| Animals  | Plants    | Sea animals | Farm animals | Wildlife |
|----------|-----------|-------------|--------------|----------|
| lion     | rose      | fish        | sheep        | bird     |
| giraffe  | sunflower | whale       | cow          | insect   |
| elephant | tulip     | octopus     | horse        | ant      |
| zebra    | daisy     | crab        | pig          | beetle   |
| monkey   | orchid    | shrimp      | chicken      | spider   |

See sheet 1 on the back:

#### Right on track:

Do a word web for things around the house e.g. pegs, blender etc.



See sheet 2:

#### Work my brain:

Tell your child a word and they have to come up with one synonym (a word that means the same thing) and one antonym (a word that means the opposite).

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1) **Category game** - take turns naming things in the category.  
 You can make it more fun by passing a ball and saying something when you catch it. If you can't think of any more - you're out!

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|----------------|------------------------------|------------------------------|------------------|-----------------------|
| Animals        | Pets                         | Zoo animals                  | Farm animals     | Insects / mini-beasts |
| Food           | Drinks                       | Fruit                        | Vegetables       | Cereal                |
| Things at home | Things in a kitchen          | Things at a park             | Things at school | Rooms in the house    |
| Clothes        | Things we wear in the winter | Things we wear in the summer | Body parts       | Toys                  |
| Jobs           | Transport                    | Things that can fly          | Shapes           | Colours               |

2) **Word web** - pick an object and do a word web:

