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Rhyming Fun in a Box

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Links to Literacy: This activity develops vocabulary and letter-sound awareness through rhyming words.

What you'll need:

1 cardboard box

Objects from your house that rhyme, for example:

Shell/Bell

Sock/Clock

Money/Honey

Bat/Hat

Can/Fan

Shoe/Glue

What to do:

Put all items in the box and set aside time to play this rhyming game with your child.

Begin by singing this song.

Rhyming Time

(Tune: "Row, Row, Row Your Boat")

Let us play a game

It is rhyming time

There are many things I have

In this box that rhyme

Pull out an object and be sure your child knows the name. For a younger child, pull out three objects that do not rhyme, then begin to pull objects that do rhyme with the first three objects. Continue doing this with three objects at a time until all objects have rhyming matches. For an older child, pull out all the objects that do not rhyme with each other. Then pull out the rhyming objects one at a time for your child to figure out. Have fun putting all the objects from the box back to its original place in your home. Play again using different objects.

Variations:

For older children, after playing the game, go around the house and find other things that rhyme together. You may just point to an object you see and say, "What rhymes with book?"

"What rhymes with keys?" Reverse roles so that your child points to an object and you have to come up with a rhyming word.

Notes:

Instead of using a box, clip out pictures from magazines and rhyme the pictures with other pictures or just use your words to come up with the rhymes. Keep pictures in an envelope.

Suggested books:

The Cat in the Hat by Dr. Seuss

Move Over, Rover! by Karen Beaumont

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