



Finger Puppets



Talk Listen Communicate – Home Activities

Use the finger puppets to sing a song with your little one. Please model it first and then let them imitate and take the lead after. Have all of the puppets behind your back and reveal one at a time adding them to each finger as you sing the song:

(Please ensure you encourage your child to use the correct terms throughout: 'dog' not 'doggy', 'cow' not 'moo moo'.)

If you don't have puppets, simply line up 5 soft toys and adapt to Mr Teddy or Red Dog, Red Dog where are you?

Dog Finger, Dog Finger,
Where are you?
Here I am, here I am,
How do you do?

Mouse Finger, Mouse Finger,
Where are you?
Here I am, here I am,
How do you do?

Duck Finger, Duck Finger,
Where are you?
Here I am, here I am,
How do you do?

Frog Finger, Frog Finger,
Where are you?
Here I am, here I am,
How do you do?

Cow Finger, Cow Finger,
Where are you?
Here I am, here I am,
How do you do?

Animal Fingers, Animal Fingers,
Where are you?
Here we are, here we are,
How do you do?
Here we are, here we are,
How do you do?

Challenge 1 → Can your child give the characters different names with the same initial sound to create their own song? For example change **Dog Finger** to **Donna Dog**.

Challenge 2 → Ask your child to close their eyes and remove one character from your finger. Can they work out who has disappeared? Repeat this for all five characters.

Challenge 3 → Now see if they can recall last week's activity and hide the characters around the room. Give positional clues to help your child find each one. "It is in-between the television and the plant pot...", "It is under the.....", "It is behind the.....", "It is next to the....." and "It is in front of the....."

