

## Sorting Initial Sounds – ‘S’, ‘A’, ‘T’

### What do you need?

- different objects from your home
- three sheets of paper with letters s, a, and t written on them
- basket/bowl/bag

### What to do?

At school, we have been learning about three initial sounds – ‘s’, ‘a’ and we had started the sound ‘t’. You can carry on with your little ones at home. It is easy. There are lots of things around us that begin with the sound ‘s’, ‘a’ or ‘t’. Look at home for:

- ‘s’: sun, snake, spoon, spider, sock, soap, sand, ...
- ‘a’: apple, ant, astronaut, aligator, arm, ...
- ‘t’: television, table, tool, tea, tiger, tomato, tail, toad, teacher,...

When you have collected all the things, place them in the basket/bowl. Use sheet of paper with each of the sounds written on it and place them in front of you. Let your little one pick one object from the basket. Ask him/her: ‘What did you pick?’ Allow them to answer. Then ask: ‘What sound does it begin with?’ Allow them to answer. If they say the wrong sound, repeat the name of the picked object with emphasis on the first sound, for example: ‘S’, snake. ‘A’, apple, ‘T’, tiger.’ Encourage him/her to repeat after you. Then ask: ‘Where will the snake/apple/tiger go? Which letter does snake/apple/tiger belong to?’ pointing at the sheets in front of you. Allow them to choose the letter, correct them if necessary.

You can play this game at home, in the garden, when you go for a walk or to the shop, simply point at any object and ask your little one: ‘Oh, look, a sun! What sound does ‘sun’ begin with?’ or ‘We will go to the shop, we need some bread. Oh, what does ‘bread’ begins with?’

Have fun!

