

10 Ways to Practise Phase 1 Phonics Environmental Sounds at Home



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Go on a
sound walk.



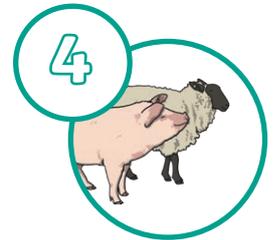
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Find sounds
at home.



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Play the
Where's
Teddy? Game



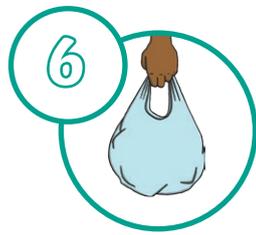
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Visit a farm.



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Visit a fire
station.



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Make a noisy
collection.



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Play 'I Hear
with My Little
Ear...'



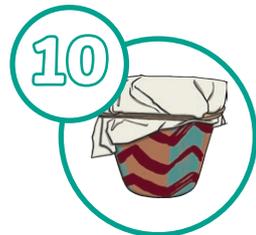
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Draw sounds
you like



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Make some
listening ears.



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Build a
drum kit.

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Take a sound walk. On the walk, stop and take time to listen to the sounds around you. Some sounds will be loud; children may have to listen harder to focus on other, quieter sounds. This [Sound Walk Checklist](#) might be a helpful resource to take along with you.

2



Look around your home. Can your child find things that make sounds around the house? Washing machines, taps, creaky floorboards and hinges, toilet flushes, clocks. It may be fun to use this [Sounds at Home Checklist](#) and tick things off when you find them.

3



This [Where's Teddy? Listening Game Resource Pack for Parents](#) is a fun rainy day game to play at home. Listen to the sounds on the PowerPoint and find the hidden teddy.

4



Take a visit to a local city farm or farm park. When you are there, take time to listen to the sounds on the farm and the sounds the different animals make.

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Visit a fire station on their open day. Listen to the bells and sirens and the sounds the fire engine and water make.

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Make a collection of noisy objects from around the home. You could sort them into different groups, e.g. loud noises and quiet noises.

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Take it in turns to imitate the sound of something and guess what it is. Maybe you could try clock, car and pets.

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Set aside some quiet time and give your child the task of drawing pictures of things that make sounds they like.

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Make some listening ears. These [Good Listening Ear Headbands](#) are a pre-designed kit or you could design and make your own.

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Make a pots-and-pans drum kit using pans from the kitchen and a wooden spoon and bash out some tunes!