Listen

- Go on a 'Sound Hunt'. What sounds can you 'collect' in 5 minutes? aeroplane, birds, washing machine...
- Play 'Simon Says' or 'Ready, Steady, GO!' is your child listening for the word Simon or go?
 Put your hands on your head. Ready, Steady, GO!



 Play 'I spy'. Children are listening for first sound in words. Make it easier by say "I spy something that goes meow"





Hello Parents/ carers,

Talking to our children has never been so important as they will be missing out on chatting to their friends and teachers face to face for a while.

Here are some great tips that may sound simple, but they'll get your child listening, thinking and talking in good ways.

Hopefully fun ways!

Keeeeep talking!

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Talk

 Name 5... think of a category and name 5 items belonging to it.
 5 fruits, 5 farm animals, 5 items of clothing...



- Share a book. Ask child to name everything in a picture (sand, sea, sandcastle, flag..)
- Share a book. Ask child:
 WHO is in it? (boy, alien, cat)
 WHERE are they? (beach, space, farm)

Communicate

 Have a 'pretend' chat on the phone (remote controls or hands make good toy phones). Make sure you take turns to ask and answer a question:

What is your favourite colour? Can you whistle? Do you like carrots?



 Play 'I went to the shop and bought' or 'I went on a picnic and packed'.
 Add 1 item to list each turn eg apple, bread, cake... Encourages good listening and taking turns (but needs a good memory!