



Topic

Animals

Resources

- Tape recorder
- Blank cassette tape
- CD or computer game including animal sounds
- Lotto and sound tracks games



Learning objectives

- To show interest in and play with sounds
- To listen attentively, concentrate and respond to the sounds heard.

Preparation

- Have the children sitting together, ready to listen and concentrate.

What to do

- Tell the children that you are going to play a game together called 'I hear this'.
- Explain the game – you and the children take it in turns to make a sound, and the other children have to guess what it is.
- Give an example to start – 'I hear this... moo, moo, moo. What can I hear?'
- When the children have guessed it is a cow, invite them to take turns to think of more sounds, and make them for others to guess.

Extensions/variations

- Make a tape-recording of different animal sounds to play to the children, or find an appropriate CD or computer game, so that they can compare the animal sounds they make with real ones.
- Play games with small groups of children, involving listening for sounds and covering appropriate pictures on boards (such as lotto and *Soundtracks*)