

Learning at Home

Support



'KIM'S GAME' – A MEMORY GAME

Ages
5-8

Learning activity

What you will need:

- tray
- tea towel
- an assortment of small objects.



What to do:

1. Start with 5 – 6 items on a tray. Choose small items such as: piece of Lego, a shell, a small toy, a bottle top, a pencil, a rock, a bead, a pine cone, a spoon... etc.
2. Ask your child to look carefully at the items so they can remember them.
3. Cover the tray with a tea towel and remove one of the objects.
4. As you take the tea towel off again, ask '*What's missing?*'
5. Replace the item and play again.

Taking the learning further:

6. Variation of the game 1:
While the items are still covered, ask your child to remember as many objects as they can from the tray.
7. Variation of the game 2:
Move an item to a different place on the tray and ask your child which item has moved.
8. Variation of the game 3:
Add a new object each day to extend the challenge.
9. You can also use the tray and objects for recognising colour and counting.
For example: '*How many yellow objects can you see?*'... etc.



What learning is happening:

Children enjoy the anticipation and challenge of guessing what is missing. They are learning concentration, memory, prediction and thinking skills.



Links to more information:

- [Learning at home](#)¹ on the Department of Education website

¹ www.education.tas.gov.au/parents-carers/learning-at-home/