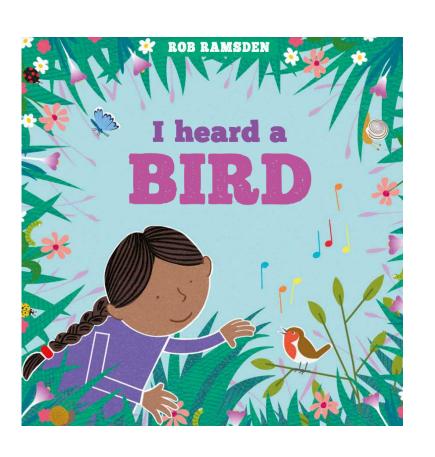


Sound Lotto Based on 'I heard a Bird' By Rob Ramsden



WHAT IS PHASE 1 PHONICS?

Phase 1 focuses on developing children's speaking and listening skills and is an important part of the phonics learning journey. The emphasis during Phase 1 is on getting children familiarised with the sounds that are around them, Being able to distinguish between sounds supports children with their segmenting and blending skills when they move onto Phase 2 phonics.

BEFORE YOU START PLAYING

- Make sure you have enough game boards for each player.
- Print and cut out the sound picture cards and place them in a box or bag.
- Gather counters to cover the squares on the lotto boards.

HOW TO PLAY

- 1. Each player needs a lotto board in front of them.
- 2. Taking it in turns, each player puts their hand into the box or bag and pulls out a sound picture card. These are all based on sounds that the little girl hears in 'I heard a Bird' so it would be a good idea to read the story to the children before playing the game.
- 3. Make the sound that is shown by the picture on the card that has been pulled out.
- 4. Ask the children if they can also recreate the sound using their own voices (e.g. if they see a bee, they make a buzzing sound).
- 5. Each player needs to use their knowledge of sounds to recognise the sound being made and if they have that sound on their lotto board they can cover it with a counter.
- 6. Players take it in turns to choose and make sounds until one player crosses off three squares in a row, at which point they shout 'lotto' or 'bingo' and win the game.