Looking at self –Hiding games

Aims:

To stimulate child and increase sense of vision
To help develop spatial awareness
To encourage eye contact between child and adult
To encourage interactions between child and adult
To encourage communication between child and adult
To build up concepts about objects
To help learn appropriate vocabulary –parts of body
To encourage anticipation

- Smile and chat to get attention
- Draw attention to her own hands e.g. .hold it in front of her face and play 'Round and round the garden'
- After a while hide her hand inside yours and say 'Where's your hand gone?'
- Uncover her hand and make a big fuss about finding it
- When you find them kiss them, suck them, blow raspberries on them, tickle palm of hand, pretend to bite
- Cover hand with cloth or soft toy
- Play 'pile up hands' game- getting faster
- Hide different parts of body –toes and feet, tummy, face, head (mirror)
- Hide all child under sheet/ blanket/ space blanket/ sari encourage child to pull it over head

Lookina at objects

Using puppet, make it say hello, do a little dance, whatever captures child's attention

Let her touch it

Hide it behind your back – 'Where's it gone?' – Say 'Here it is' with exaggerated surprise

Hide puppet under child's leg or foot

Hide puppet under clothes/ behind under furniture

Hide small sweet/ toy in your hand

Try magic tricks

Post objects into box so they come straight out again –e.g. cardboard tube, box with hole in bottom

Cover toys on table/ tray with cloth/ scarf

Helter skelter / marble run/ type toys where they disappear but reappear quickly