



A fun phonics game for you to try at home.



What to do: Write out the following letter sounds and pieces of paper or card.

s,t,a,p,i,n,m,d,o,g,c,k,e,u,r,h,b,f,l

- 1) Lay a sheet or towel across the floor like a river. If you have chalk you can play this game outside and draw a river with the chalk.
- 2) Tell your child they have to cross the river, but a crocodile lives in it. (If you have a toy crocodile at home you could put this in your river or you as the adult could stand in the river taking on the role of the crocodile.)
- 3) Tell your child that the only way for them to cross safely is by them making a bridge by building **CVC** words using the letter sound cards given.
- 4) Your child must then make a bridge by laying three letter sounds across the river to form a three letter word.
- 5) The cards must make a **CVC** word such as bat, hat, bed.

To make it more of a challenge

Make the river wider and the words longer using the following letter sounds-

s,t,a,p,i,n,m,d,o,g,c,k,e,u,r,h,b,f,l,qu,ch,sh,th,ng,ai,ee,igh,oa,oo,ar,or,ur,ow,oi,ear,air,ure

This is a great game which gives your child an opportunity to apply their phonic knowledge to recognition of sounds, blending and segmenting.