

EXECUTIVE FUNCTION ACTIVITY

I Spy

DIRECTIONS

This is a game that improves attention and shifting from one topic to another.

1. The player that starts says, "I spy with my little eye something beginning with...", naming the letter the chosen object starts with (e.g. "I spy with my little eye something beginning with C" if the chosen object is a car). The other players must guess what they are spying.
2. The player that starts says, "I spy with my little eye something that that is blue...", naming the color the chosen object is starts with (e.g. "I spy with my little eye something blue" if the chosen object is a blueberry). The other players must guess what they are spying.
3. The player that starts says, "I spy with my little eye something that rhymes with...", naming a rhyming word of the chosen object starts with (e.g. "I spy with my little eye something rhyming with Car" if the chosen object is a star). The other players must guess what they are spying.

I SPY TIPS

1. The Spy cannot change the object once it has been chosen, and must be mindful that when traveling from place to place through the course of the game, certain objects might only be momentarily seen which renders them invalid (an example being a particular street sign).
2. You can play this in a room, a yard, or inside or outside a car.
3. Before the game is played, it should be decided if the objects will be all outside or all inside the car. Other players then have to guess the chosen object.
4. Traditionally they take turns in asking questions, which can either be a guess in the form of "Is it ___?" or an attempt to narrow down the search such as "Is it on your left?".
5. The Spy then replies "yes" or "no" to each question, while an alternative is to say 'Hot' if they are close or 'Cold' if they are not close.

6. The Spy can offer extra clues if the guessers are stumped. Once a guesser has correctly identified the object, they become the Spy for the next round and the game starts again.
7. If younger children are playing who are not so good at guessing, the role of Spy can be passed around in a set order.