

Why - Because.....

This game is to help your child learn to answer **why** questions and understand simple reasoning i.e. working out an answer.

You will need the 'why - because' cards attached. Cut them out and place them in a pile face down in front of your child.

Turn over the first picture and talk about what is happening. Ask your child the why question on the bottom of the card. Encourage him or her to explain his or her answer. You may need to help your child by providing a model or leading them to the answer,

e.g. adult: '**Why** is the girl packing?'

child: 'Her need things.'

adult: 'Is she going somewhere?'

child: 'Yes her go holiday.'

adult: 'Yes, when we went on holiday we took suitcases with us.'

adult: 'So why is the girl packing?'

child: 'Her go on holiday.'

adult: 'That's right she's packing because she is going on holiday.'

When you have finished talking about the picture ask your child to predict what will happen next.



Variations:

When you are reading stories together try to ask your child questions where he or she has to work out the answers. Don't forget to ask him or her to explain how he or she has worked out the answer.

You can also do this when you are watching TV together.



Why is the baby crying?



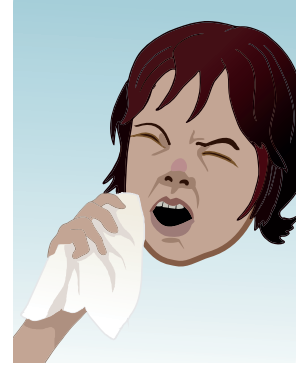
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Why is the girl packing her suitcase?



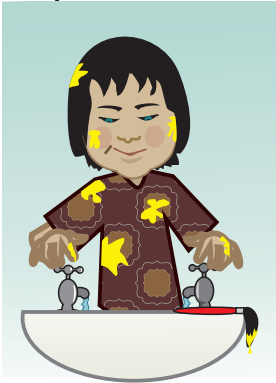
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Why has the girl got a tissue?



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Why is the girl turning the tap on?



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Why is the lady opening her purse?



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Why has the girl got her fingers in her ears?



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Why is the man using a peg?



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Why is the man running?



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Why is the man cross?



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Why is the boy squeezing the toothpaste?



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Why is the snowman melting?



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Why should Ben not be skiing?



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