

ACTIVITY CARD 3

DID YOU KNOW?

 Listening skills are important for understanding language and talking, playing and interacting with others and for children to successfully develop literacy skills.

TRY AT HOME

- To listen effectively we need to look at the person who is talking, stay still and listen to all the words.
- You can practise listening skills by playing these games with your child.
- Play the 'Broken Telephone' game using teddy as a puppet.
- Teddy whispers a sentence into the adult's ear and they whisper to the child and the child has to say the sentence/word out loud.
- Other games like 'Simon says' are also good for developing listening skills.

OTHER THINGS TO TRY

- Take teddy on a 'listening walk' outdoors.
- · What noises can your child hear?
- Next time, before you go out you can make a list of things you might hear and add any new ones you hear, for example, dogs barking, traffic noises.

