



## Daily Ideas for Playful Learning at Home



### *Jumping Words!*

Motivating introduction ...

Do you remember playing the game with your parents of not stepping on the cracks of the pavement as a child? This is a great way to help your child to know where one word ends and another begins.

#### **What do I need?**

**Some favourite songs and rhymes or funny phrases that you enjoy with your child**

#### **What do we do?**

As you say sentences or sing songs and rhymes together try:

- Jumping as you say each word
- you could put pieces of paper on the floor and jump from one to the other as you say the words
- Take marching or giant steps as you walk along the pavement saying the sentences or rhymes

#### **What will your child learn from this play?**

Sometimes when children learn language they learn sentences and phrase 'more juice' or " as a whole chunk. Helping them to learn where one word ends and another begins helps to support their early literacy skills.

#### **How can you take it further?**

- Post bricks or toys into a box as you say the words
- Build a tower with blocks as you say the words
- Move toy animals into a field as you say the words
- Clap as you say the words

*Play & talk together  
Be careful with too many questions*

*Pause and wait for your child to respond  
Copy what they say and add to it*