

Hangman

- Play hangman with an individual child or with a pair of children.
- If you are not the guesser, check the child's spelling of their chosen word
- When it is your turn to choose a word, try to use the words the child has worked hard on during the reading sessions or use the child's keywords.

How to play Hangman;

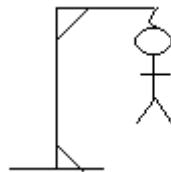
- You choose a word for the child to guess
- Put a dash to represent each individual letter so that the child can picture how long the word is and can see it emerge as s/he guesses the letters.

e.g. _ _ _ _ _

- Ask the child to guess a letter that is in the word
- If the child makes a correct guess, put the letter in its correct place in the word

e.g. _ _ _ r _

- Each time the child guesses incorrectly draw one line of the hangman's nose



- Keep adding lines, fingers, toes, eyes etc if necessary to avoid the child being hanged! It could be distressing to be hanged.
- Let the child keep guessing and looking at the word until they work it out
- Take your turn to guess the child's word
- Be generous - take plenty of guesses and let the child *nearly* hang you