

# Activities for word finding difficulties

## Hedbanz game

Use the **5 part description sheet** with Hedbanz game and take it in turns to be the “describer” and the “guesser”. Be aware that some pictures are more difficult than others so you may need to choose some easier cards to begin with.

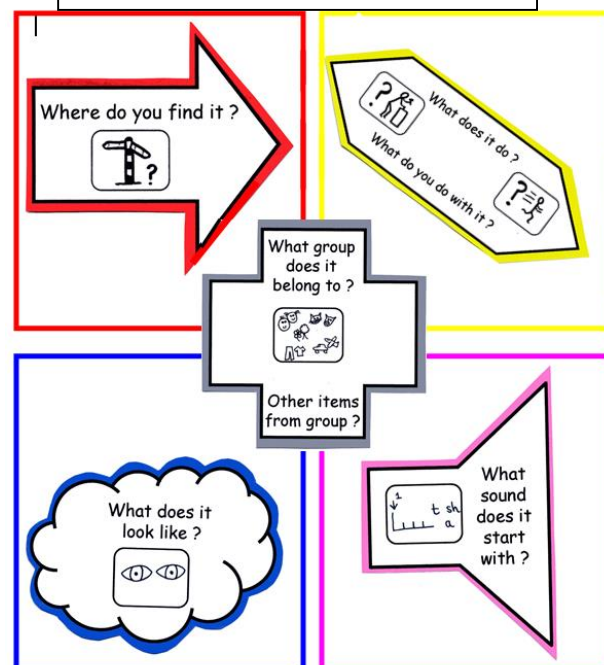
- **Describer:** use the 5 part sheet to give the guesser clues about what picture card is on their head.  
For example: “It is an animal, it lives in the jungle, it eats other animals, it has a mane, and it begins with ‘I. What is it?”
- **Guesser:** try and guess the picture based on the clues you are given.

Once your child’s description has improved and they are able to give enough information in their clues, try turning the prompt sheet over and using it only if they are stuck.

HedBanz for kids: available in most toy shops.



5 part prompt sheet



## Practice in conversation

When your child can’t find the word they want to say in conversation ask them to describe the word using the clues. E.g. what group, what does it look like?

## Heads Up: Pictures app

Once your child is able to use the 5 part prompt sheet you could try using it with the Heads Up app (£0.79 on Apple, free on Android). Please make sure you buy the picture version.

Place the phone on the guessers head and the describer has to give the guesser clues.

- Tilt the phone down when you guess correctly.
- Tilt your phone up to pass a picture.

Please note that some of the vocabulary on this app is harder and so you may need to encourage your child to pass any picture they do not know.



**You can take your own photos to use in this game by pressing on the “Around Town” category. You can take photos of things around the house, your child’s toys, pictures of TV characters etc.**



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Where do you find it ?



What does it do ?

What do you do with it ?

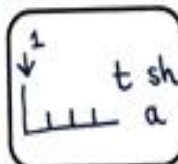


What group  
does it  
belong to ?



Other items  
from group ?

What does it  
look like ?



What  
sound  
does it  
start  
with ?