



## Listening walk

### Learning objectives

- To promote development of speech and to extend language.
- To promote development of listening and attention.

### Going on the listening walk

- Choose where you want to go on your listening walk. This could be in your own back garden, walking in the woods, at the park etc.
- Explain to your child the concept of a listening walk i.e. we need to move around quietly using our listening ears to see if we can hear any of the items on the check sheet.
- Give your child a clipboard with the listening walk check sheet on and a pen or pencil.
- Model what you would like your child to do, i.e. move quietly, listen and when you hear a sound say "I can hear ....." Encourage your child to check if it's on the sheet and to put a tick in the box.
- Ask your child questions such as "What can you hear?" "Is it on the check sheet?"
- Extend opportunities to talk about the sounds your child has heard i.e. "Was the sound quiet or loud?"
- Praise your child's efforts.

### Other possible activities

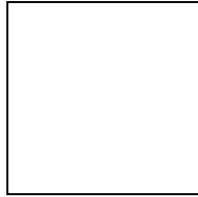
- See what sounds you can hear in different environments e.g. within the home, in the shops, on a trip to the farm etc.

## Our listening walk

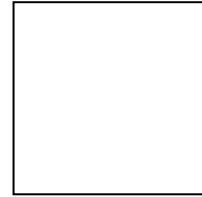
What did you hear today?



aeroplane



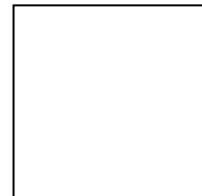
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bird



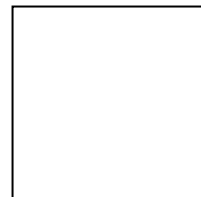
dog



train



police car



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people

