Lesson plan 1: Mr Mouth

This session involves creating a mouth puppet to raise awareness of oral structures. This puppet can also be used as a resource in later sessions to model the production of speech sounds and raise awareness of how oral structures relate to sound production.

Lesson Aim: to raise awareness of simple oral structures. Specific learning goals - teach the children to correctly identify lips, tongue and teeth as separate oral structures.

- A power point presentation of instructions and a copy of the templates have been provided as an additional resource on the provided CD-ROM.

Lesson Plan 1: Mr Mouth – Instructions:

Required resources:
- 1 Paper Plate
- 1 Straw
- Scissors
- Glue
- Coloured Pencils
- 1 Stencil provided as an appendices at the rear of this booklet.

Step 1:
Get the children to colour in the stencil provided.

Step 2:
Draw and colour lips onto the inside and outside of the plate.
Step 3:
Fold the paper plate in half with the top side of the plate on the inside.

Step 4:
Cut out pictures on the stencil being careful not to cut off the tabs.

Step 5:
Glue the back of the mouth picture onto the top half of your hand puppet, ensuring that the flat edge lines up with the fold in the plate.

Step 6:
Cut three slits in the tap portion of the teeth each one third of the length of the stencil ensuring you do not cut through the teeth.

Step 7:
Fold the tabs over onto the back of the teeth stencil ready for gluing.

Step 8:
Run glue along the front of the tabs on the teeth stencil ready to glue into place.

Step 9:
Attach the teeth to the plate by gluing the tabs onto the inside of the teeth in a semi-circle. Approximately 3cm in from the edge of the plate for the top teeth and 4cm for the bottom teeth.
Step 10:
Fold the tab on the base of the tongue over.

Step 11:
Place sticky tape along the back of the tongue tap and stick onto the centre of the plate in line with the ‘back of mouth’ picture.

Step 12:
Ask children to put their hand up when ready for the next step and a helper will assist to poke a hole in the centre of the plate just under the tongue.

Step 13:
Poke the straw through the hole that was just made in step 12.

Step 14:
Sticky tape the end of the straw to the very tip of the tongue.

Step 15:
You are finished!