



## I Spy Can You Find It?

**Beginner:** Play the “I Spy” game and have your child identify objects around you.

**[Tip]:** “I spy a teddy bear. Where is it?” Play this game using toys, random household objects, or even when running errands.

**Intermediate:** Play “I Spy” using colours and shapes.

**[Tip]:** “I spy something that is yellow; I spy something that is round.” Your local library may also have I Spy books, with random objects hidden on each page.

**Experienced:** Play “I Spy” using the beginning sounds of words, as well as 3-D shapes.

**[Tip]:** “I spy something that starts with the “sss” sound; I spy something that is shaped like a sphere.”

**Why is this important?** Playing “I Spy” helps build reading skills like letter, sound, and vocabulary knowledge.

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