## **MAIDSTONE SPECIALIST TEACHING & LEARNING SERVICE**



## **Barrier Games:**

A barrier game is achieved by removing shared visual information.

This means that the adult (the speaker) must give all the information verbally to the child without any visual cues.

The child (the listener) must understand the language, to enable them to follow the instruction(s). Start with 1 or 2 simple instructions.

## How to play:

- Create a screen and place this between the speaker and listener.
- Provide 2 sets of the same resources for either side of the screen. Initially, the adult gives instructions to the child and both follow the instruction (unseen by each other).
- At the end, the screen is removed to check if the listener has followed the instructions accurately.

## For example:

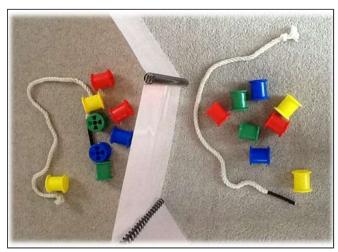


Cars visiting different places.

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Mr Men visiting coloured houses.



Threading coloured cotton reels.