

Understanding Basic Pronouns

Goal: To follow simple instructions containing the pronouns *he* and *she*.

Materials:

- food and drink cutouts
- picture cue cards
- *he* and *she* baseboards

Activity Instructions:

- Place the baseboards on the table in front of your child and arrange the food and drink cutouts close by.
- Choose a prompt card and read it to your child. Your child should follow the instruction to set up the cutouts on the correct baseboard.

Example



You say, "**He** has yogurt".

Your child should take the picture of the yogurt and place it on the boy baseboard.



Hint: If you need to make this task easier, hand your child the correct cutout and then give the instructions as normal. This reduces the language load in the instruction but still targets the pronoun.

Using Basic Pronouns

Goal: To form simple sentences containing the pronouns *he* and *she*.

Materials:

- food and drink cutouts
- picture cue cards
- *he* and *she* baseboards

Activity Instructions:

- Place the baseboards on the table in front of you. Have the food and drink cutouts close by.
- Your child should choose a prompt card and give you an instruction. You should follow the instruction to set up the cutouts on the correct baseboard.

Example



Your child says, "**He** has yogurt".

You take the picture of the yogurt and place it on the boy baseboard.



Hint: Follow the instruction given by your child, even if you can see they are using the wrong pronoun. Then check the cue card and problem solve together.

Using Basic Pronouns 2

Goal: To form simple sentences containing the pronouns *he*, *she* and *they*.

Materials:

- food and drink cutouts
- picture cue cards
- *he*, *she* and *they* baseboards

Activity Instructions:

- Place the baseboards on the table in front of you. Have the food and drink cutouts close by.
- Your child should choose a prompt card and give you an instruction. You should follow the instruction to set up the cutouts on the correct baseboard.

Example



Your child says, "**He** has yogurt".

You take the picture of the yogurt and place it on the boy baseboard.



Hint: Follow the instruction given by your child, even if you can see they are using the wrong pronoun. Then check the cue card and problem solve together.

Understanding Early Adjectives

Goal: Understands adjectives **big** and **small**.

Materials:

- small food and drink cutouts
- large food and drink cutouts
- *he* and *she* baseboards

Activity Instructions:

- Place the baseboards on the table in front of you. Place the big and small cutouts on and around the baseboards to make a scene, as if the girl and boy are carrying their lunch on the tray.
- Ask your child to hand you one of the cut outs. Make sure you do not point or give clues by looking at the correct picture.

Example



You say, "**Show me the big cookie**".

Your child should take the correct picture and hand it to you.



Hint: If your child finds this activity hard, reduce the amount of cutouts to begin with. Consider starting with just two objects - one big and one small and then build up from there.

Following Multi-step Directions

Goal: To carry out a series of two related commands.

Materials:

- food and drink cutouts
- picture cue cards
- *he* and *she* baseboards

Activity Instructions:

- Take the 2 baseboards and place on the table in front of your child. Arrange the food and drink cutouts close by.
- Choose two prompts from the picture cue cards and describe them to your child. Your child should follow the instruction to set up the cutouts on the baseboard.
- Afterwards, show your child the pictures on the cue cards so they can check if they were correct. Help them to move the characters if they placed them incorrectly.

Example



Say, "Show me *she* has a *cookie* and *he* has a *drink*".

Your child takes the picture of the cookie and the picture of the drink and places them in the correct place on the board.



Hint: When you are getting started, make the task easier by reducing the choice. You can use fewer items or you can just use all the girl pictures or all the boy pictures.