

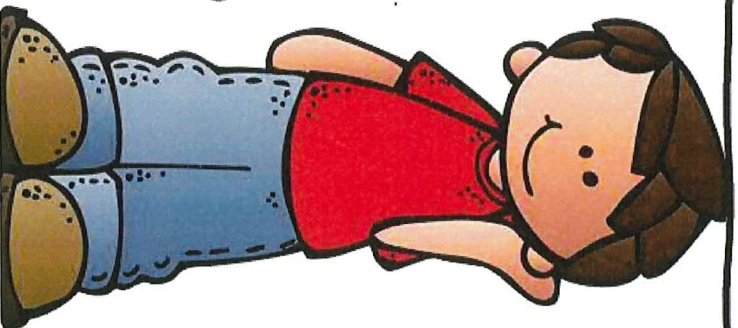
PARENT CONNECTION

What is Phonological Awareness ?

Phonological awareness is the ability to recognize and manipulate the individual sounds (phonemes) in spoken language. This skill involves being able to recognize and distinguish between sounds, identify syllables in words, blend sounds to form words, and segment words into their individual sounds.

Why is it important?

Phonological awareness is important because it lays the foundation for reading and spelling. Research has shown that children who have strong phonological awareness skills are more likely to become successful readers and spellers.



Ways I can support this at home.

- Rhyming games: Encourage children to identify words that rhyme with each other. You can also play word matching games where children have to find pairs of words that rhyme.
- Syllable clapping: Clap out the syllables in words to help children recognize the number of syllables in words.
- Sound segmentation: Say a word slowly and have the child repeat each sound in the word. For example, "s-u-n".