

*Learning together...*

**Curriculum Area:** Mathematics

**Recommended for:** 3 years plus

**Learning Activity:** Pairs game

## Big Idea

What strategies help us solve problems?

### What to do:

Together make a collection of objects that are in pairs. Discuss how they are the same. You can make it tricky by using all the same type of item such as socks, shoes, cups, spoons etc. put all items in a pile/basket/bag and then ask your child to match them into pairs and line the pairs up for ordering. You can challenge your child to do it in ever decreasing time limits by setting a timer on your phone and asking them to see if they can improve the time it takes to match all the items.



### Benefits:

- Develops matching abilities
- 1 to 1 correspondence
- Vocabulary development

### Links to Early years learning Framework:

Outcome 3: Children have a strong sense of wellbeing

Outcome 4: Children are confident and involved learners