

■ Playing with rhymes helps children practise sounds



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■ What we do and what it means

Sebastian and his mum like to say favourite rhymes: 'Round and round the garden ...'

We sing rhymes and jingles with children so that they learn to hear and match words that sound the same.

Later, children will begin to match sounds to alphabet letters on the page. This will be very important in learning to read, write and spell.

When English is a second language, adults share rhymes in their first language with children.

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