

Wind words

What children should learn

Language and literacy – to understand the meaning of the word 'wind' when it is used in conjunction with other words.

What you need

A collection of pictures showing different 'wind' words: eg windows, windsock, windmill, wind-sails, wind instrument, windscreen, windbreak, windsurfer, wind tunnel, windpipe etc.

Activity

Work in small groups. Look at one picture at a time. What is this object's name? What does it do? What is the connection with the word 'wind' here?



Extension

Make pinwheels for the children to blow on. Make simple sailing boats using yoghurt cups with straw masts and paper sails (put a lump of Plasticine in the bottom of the yoghurt pot and stick the straw in that). The children could blow their sail boats across a tub of water using straws.

Talk about

Talk about how different the wind is from other types of weather. You can't see it, only feel and hear it. Compare the wind with other types of weather, asking the children to name and describe other types of weather.