Say the Sounds - Toy Talk

Main purpose - To listen to phonemes within words and remember them in the order in which they occur.

When the children are used to hearing the toy say words in sound-talk and blending the individual sounds to make words, you may be able to ask some children to see whether they can speak in sound-talk. Choose some objects with three-phoneme names that you are sure the children know and hide them in a box or bag. Allow one of the children to see an object, and then ask them to try to say the separate sounds in the name of the object just like the toy does (e.g. *d-u-ck*). The other children then blend the sounds together to make the word. The child can then reveal the object to show whether the other children are right.