

# Scavenger Hunt—an exciting challenge

Families pick a Scavenger game and create an exciting challenge where children go on a hunt to find matching items of colour, smell, shape, size or texture from around the home or garden.

# Learning benefit/skill development

- Classification skills, observation skills, emotional intelligence, patience, resilience and persistence.
- By using icons instead of only words, children also have a chance to build independence.

### **Benefit to family**

- Families can work together on a hunt or help encourage without their child's independence.
- Building effective communication as a family, through describing instructions of the game and potential clues.
- Some of the hunts will be a good opportunity for families to discuss and to reflect on together.

# What you'll need

- A basket or a bag to place their items once found
- A Scavenger hunt activity chart.

(Refer to online activity to download or print) your activity).

# **Special instructions**

- For children who aren't used to playing independently, you could break the hunt down and give them 1 or 2 of the items to locate at a time.
- Families could have them up on the fridge to refer back to throughout the day-almost like bingo.
- It could be beneficial for families to spend time noticing and talking about each object and challenge.

