

*Learning and  
understanding new words*  
Tap tap box



**CHATTERBOX  
THE CANARY**

# Tap tap box

## 0-6 MONTHS

- 1 Put 3 or 4 objects inside a box with a lid
- 2 Tap your hands on the lid – facial expressions make it more exciting
- 3 Open the box and find an object – tell Baby what it is
- 4 Repeat the game
- 5 As they get older, let Baby hold and touch the object – talk about it

## 6-12 MONTHS

- 1 Put 3 or 4 objects inside a box with a lid
- 2 Tap your hands on the lid – facial expressions make it more exciting
- 3 Open the box and find an object – tell Baby what it is
- 4 As they get older, show Baby what the object does: show how to brush your teeth with a toothbrush
- 5 Help Baby tap the box. They can open the lid and get something out themselves

## 12-18 MONTHS

- 1 Put 3 or 4 objects inside a box with a lid. Choose a theme for your box like clothes, food, animals, toys, transport
- 2 Tap your hands on the lid – facial expressions make it more exciting
- 3 Open the box and find an object – tell Baby what it is
- 4 As Baby gets older, put more objects in the box
- 5 The idea of this game is for Baby to hear the words. Don't be tempted to "test" them

Say a rhyme like  
*"Tap tap box, What's in the box?"*  
as you play the game.