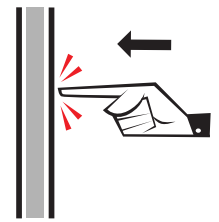











Hard



<p>1 Teach</p>	<p> Use a <u>sign</u> or <u>gesture</u> for hard.</p> <p> Look at the <u>symbol</u> together.</p> <p> <u>Say</u> the word hard to your partner.</p> <p> <u>Sing</u> a Word Aware song including the word hard.</p>
<p>2 Teach</p> 	<p>Equipment: Concept Cat toy, a bouncy ball, hard floor, a cushion, a chair and a jumper (sweater).</p> <p>Concept Cat is a clever, clever cat. He looks here, he looks there, learning as he goes and, when he comes home, he tells us a story. Concept Cat is a clever, clever cat. This story is all about hard. Listen out for the word hard.</p> <p>Concept Cat likes playing with a ball. He wants to bounce the ball on something hard. He bounces it on the floor. It bounces! The floor is hard. He tries to bounce the ball on a cushion. No, the cushion is <u>not hard</u>!</p> <p>Concept Cat wants something hard for his ball to bounce on. He tries a chair. The chair is hard. He tries his jumper. No, the jumper is <u>not hard</u>.</p> <p>Concept Cat touches the floor and the chair to feel that they are hard. He touches the jumper and the cushion to feel that they are <u>not hard</u>.</p> <p>Concept Cat, what a clever, clever cat. He knows all about hard.</p>
<p>3 Teach</p>	<p>A Use a variety of objects that are hard and <u>not hard</u>.</p> <p>B Feel objects that are both hard and <u>not hard</u>.</p> <p>C Sort objects into hard and <u>not hard</u>.</p>
<p>4 Activate</p>	<p>Explore chairs and beds that are hard and <u>not hard</u>.</p>
<p>5 Review</p>	<p> Activity: read 'Goldilocks and the Three Bears' at story time. Ask the children to listen out for the word hard.</p> <p> Word Bag: put any hard object in the bag, eg a book, a toy brick or a play person. Talk about the object being hard.</p> <p> Concept book: see page 76 for details.</p> <p> Family: take it in turns to be blindfolded. Get the person who cannot see to sit on objects that are hard and <u>not hard</u>. Can they say which ones are hard?</p>