

Speech and Language Therapy

More Social Play

**Lesson number 7 of 14 on Interaction and
Communication**

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Activity 1 - Fishing Game

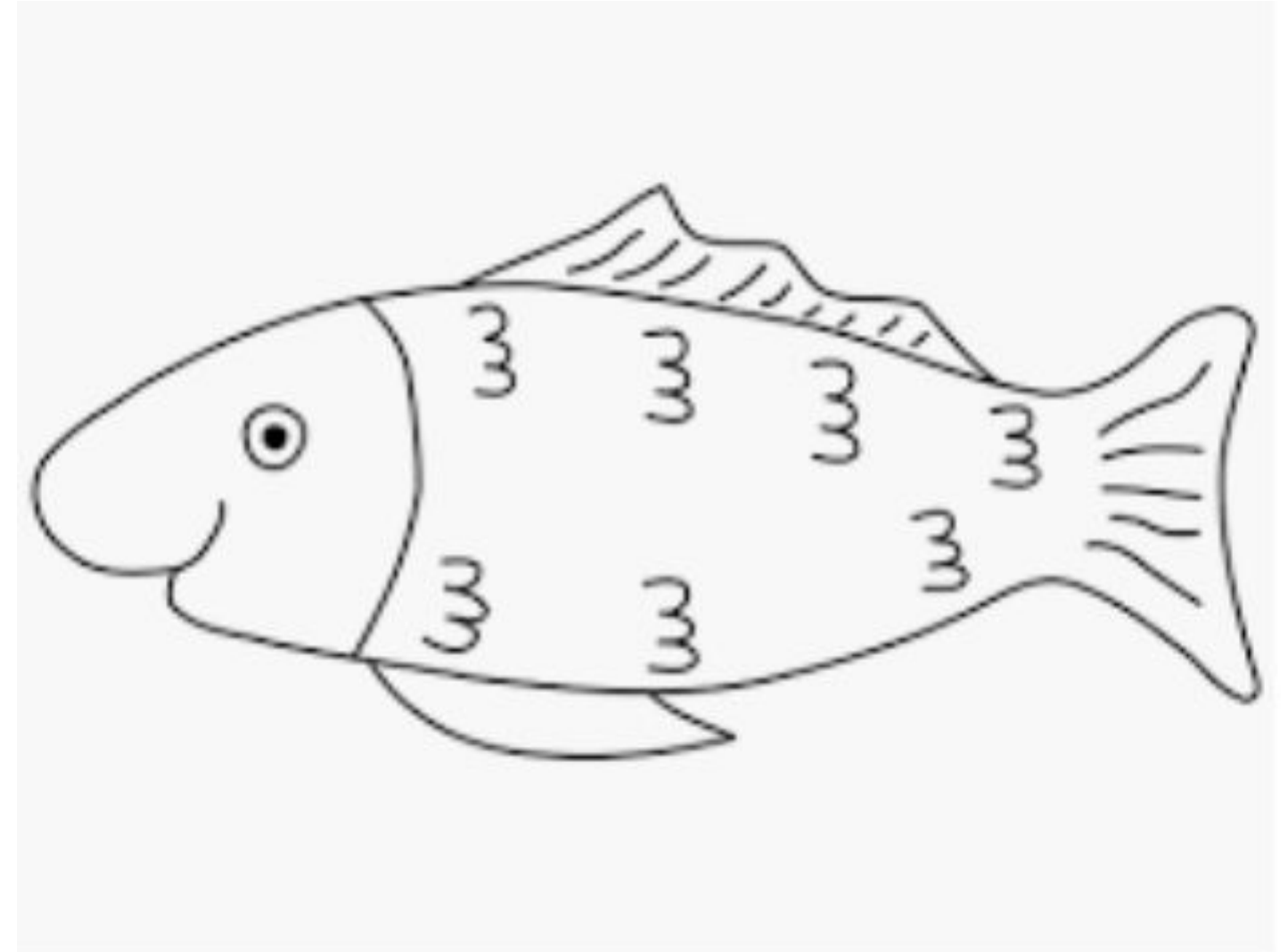
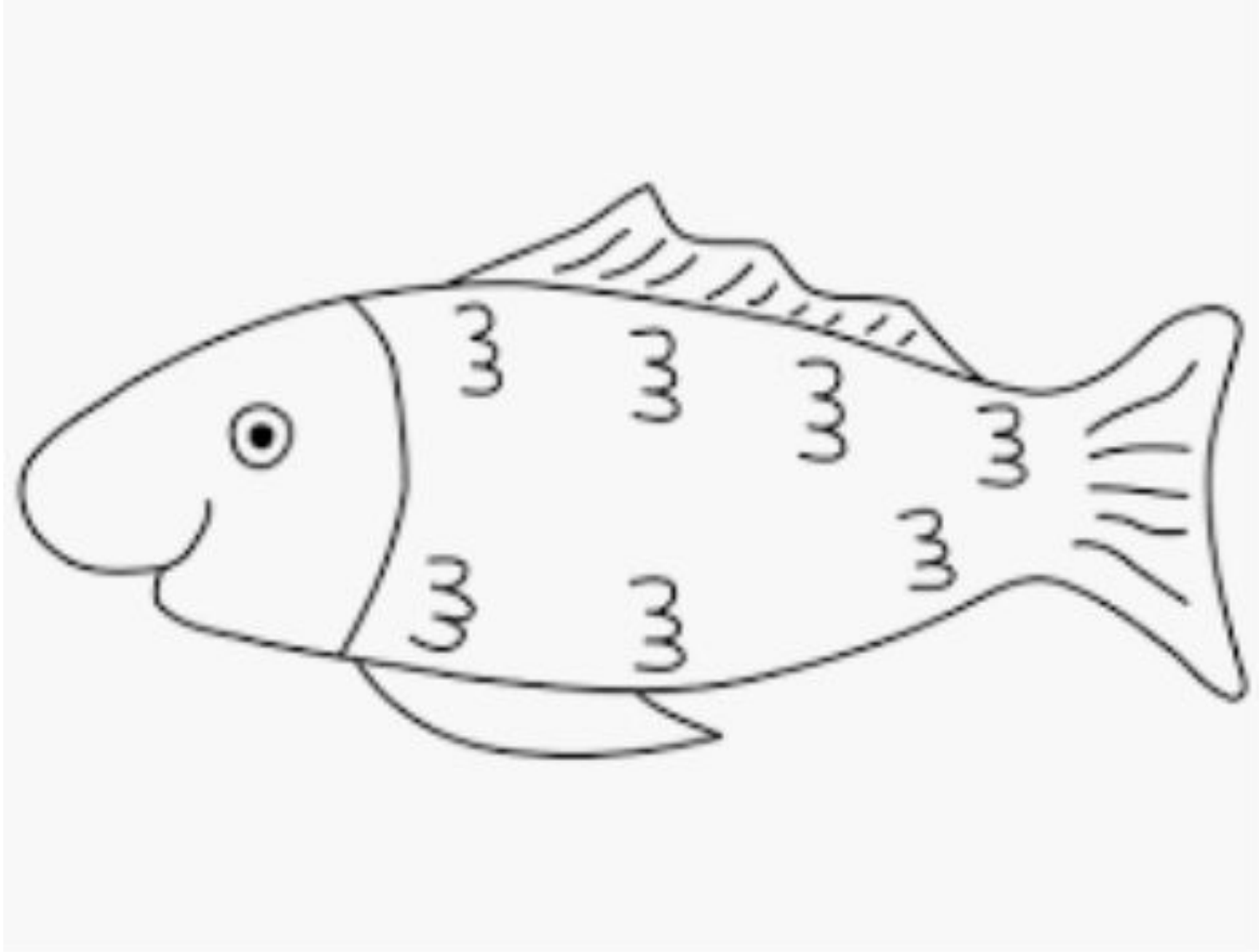
You will need:

- 2 x fish printables (or draw the outline of fish on plain paper and cut out)
- 2 x sticks
- wool or string
- 2 x magnets (just use old fridge magnets)
- 14 metal paper clips
- Glue
- Sellotape
- Coloured pencils/paper (for decorating the fish)
- Scissors

What to do:

1. Print out/ draw 2 fish for each player.
2. Colour in your fishies, or cut up coloured paper and decorate (like scales)
3. Cut them out.
4. Match them up and glue the two sides together, place a paper clip inside each one, with the end just sticking out of the front of the fish.
5. Make a fishing pole by winding string around the end of a twig or chopstick, leaving about 20cm dangling at the end.
6. Attach a magnet to the end (using tape)
7. Put the fishes in a bowl and go fishing.





Activity 2 - Pom Pom Turn Taking

What to do:

You will need:

- Approximately 50 coloured pompoms/balls/screwed up tissue paper (any size)
- Wooden BBQ sticks or pipe cleaners
- A large strainer

1. To set-up, you will need to fill the strainer with pompoms.
2. Poke the wooden sticks (or pipecleaners) through one side of the strainer and out the other side so the pompoms are trapped in the strainer.
3. Once all the sticks are in, turn the strainer upside down and prop it up on some books.
4. Now – the turn-taking begins. Each take a turn to pull a stick out from the strainer and collect the pompoms that drop out.
5. Keep taking turns until all the pompoms have dropped out. It gets really exciting near the end of the game when tons of pompoms all of a sudden started coming out like an avalanche with each pull of the stick!
6. You could even try counting the pompoms that drop out.



More ideas for Social Play Activities

Bingo/Lotto boards - these can be DIY with pictures from home or there are lots of ideas available on the internet.

Brick stacking

Pop up Pirate

Bottle Skittles

Bean bag into a bucket toss games

Obstacle courses

Jenga

Paired Lego Builds

Simple board games such as: Hoot Owl Hoot, Race to The Treasure, Dinosaur Escape, Fish Stix, Stone Soup, Ghost Blaster

Activities like treasure hunts and projects to promote working together (see Lesson 6) .



Tips for supporting turn taking in Social Play

Use a visual board to reinforce who's turn is now and next (example included).

Use a verbal and visual countdown timer to bring each turn to an end so that is is 'fair' and concrete.

Make sure the 'rules' for turns are explicit. You could write a rules poster.

Try a social story about taking turns. There are also some great Videos on YouTube!



Turn Taking Visual Board

Turn Now

Insert Picture/Name

Turn Next

Insert Picture/Name



Social Play Time Diary

Date:

We learnt about

When my adult

I...

Insert picture

