# **MR MEN GAME**

Active Athletes

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Inspired by the Mr Men book characters, this is a fun and energetic game to get moving in a range of different ways.

### You will need:

• An open space with lots of room to move

### **Doing the activity:**

Talk with your little one about the Mr Men characters and see how many you are able to list between you. Once you have listed them, think about how they would move linking to their names for example:

- Mr Slow Take large slow steps.
- Mr Tall Stretch up as tall as you can by standing on your tip toes and stretching your arms in the air.
- Mr Small Crouch down and make yourself as small as you can.
- Mr Jelly Shake your body as fast as you can trying to shake every body part.
- Mr Muddle Walk backwards.
- Mr Bounce Jump up and down on the spot.
- Mr Strong Move around whilst making different poses like a strong person.

Play the game by shouting out different Mr Men characters and ask your little one to act out the movement. Once your little one has done them all, shout them out at a quicker pace and watch your little one move.

### How this supports knowledge and development:

Introducing fun physical activities like this one can help children to develop a healthy heart, strengthen bones and muscles while developing a love of taking part in regular physical activity. This also creates opportunities to talk to your child about the benefits of exercise as well as having fun with each other. This activity also introduces spatial awareness as well as beginning to develop their understanding of opposites.

Why not read some of the Mr Men books with your little one and encourage their love of reading or ask them to create their own Mr Men character, thinking about what they would look like, what they would look like and what they would move like. If you find it difficult to invent new ones we have listed some below:

Mr Sneeze	Mr Funny
Mr Silly	Little Miss Hug
Mr Nosey	Little Miss Scary

### Keeping Everyone Safe

Ensure you have enough space to run and move without bumping into anything

# Enrich vocabulary development with related words such as:

Large	Arms	Jump
Slow	Crouch	Up
Steps	Small	Down
Stretch	Shake	Strong
Tall	Body	Backwards
Toes	Fast	Move

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### Notes:

Create and draw your own Mr Men character and say how they would move: