HOME/SCHOOL CONNECTION Properties

Play I Spy. Gather five to ten objects that share a property and place them on a table. A set might include pencils, pens, silverware, straws, and chopsticks because they are all long and narrow. A set of books and catalogs might be a second set, a collection of stuffed toys a third, and so on.

Two players play the game. First the players organize the objects from smallest to largest. Then one player secretly chooses one object and compares it to the others: "I spy something that is bigger than _____ and smaller than _____." The second player guesses which object was chosen by player 1. If the guess is incorrect, player 1 provides a second "I spy" hint.

Swap roles and play again. Choose new sets of objects. Draw or write below what you liked about this game. What was your favorite part?