Break Apart Words

Have your child work on hearing a word and taking it apart. Start by using compound words such as *cowboy*, *baseball* or *firefly*. Tell him/her, "Say the word *cowboy*. Now take away *boy*. What word is left?"

You can also use Lego bricks to make this point. Give your child two attached Lego bricks to represent parts of the word. Then have him physically take the Lego pieces apart as he removes part of the word.

** This is something that we have worked on in class. Again, this is more geared to the four year olds and the three year olds will get this next school year.