

## **WOW Group – Stage 1 - Attention Grabber**

WOW group is designed to develop the attention of the students. Stage 1 is all about grabbing their attention.

### **WHAT YOU NEED**

- Wow bag with attention grabbing toys;
- At least 2 adults needed

### **WHAT YOU DO**

- Sit in a horseshoe shape, preferably with an adult on each end and 1 in the middle at the front to lead the session;
- Adults sitting in the group model good attention skills (looking & sitting), and also bring any students back to the group who move away;
- Adult in the front draws on white board – “bag”, then whatever’s next (e.g. water play etc)
- Adult in the front sings:  
“I’ve got something in my bag, in my bag, in my bag.  
I’ve got something in my bag – I wonder what it is”
- Bring toys out the bag slowly, one at a time and demonstrate. Put them back in the bag when finished. Make sure the whole group can see.
- When the bag has finished, adult in the front crosses through “bag” picture on white board & says “wow bag finished – time for X”
- Activity finished.

### **AIM**

- To build the group’s attention so that they can all sit and look for about 10 minutes with no adult prompting

### **TIPS**

- Don’t let the students play or have a turn with the toy, or dictate when you are moving onto the next item – the adult controls this;
- Try and build their anticipation with “ready, steady....GO!”