Let's be sorting detectives!

Can you sort the cutlery in your house into different sets?



Notes for parents or teachers

This week we are looking at sorting. The key words we will be using are sets, the same, different, shape, size, colour.

Gather together the cutlery in your house - forks, spoons, tea spoons, butter knives.

Question: How can we sort them?...

The child will probably go for the most obvious way of grouping first - all the knives together, all the forks together etc.

Once they have done this extend their thinking by asking how else could we sort them?

If you have different cutlery sets, they may want to look at colour, patterns, shape etc.

Could we sort them into sets? So everyone has a fork, knife, spoon etc. How about sharp and smooth?

