

Nurturing Activity 0-3 Months
Tongue Twister

## Why do this Activity?

- To stimulate early brain development
- To demonstrate how babies learn from imitation
- 1. How to do this activity:
- 2. Put your baby on the mat/floor in front of you on his back.
- 3. Put your face 10 inches above his face.
- 4. Call his name until he looks at you.
- 5. Stick out your tongue. Move it slowly in and out of your mouth.
- 6. If your baby is not too tired, your baby will probably copy you. She will stick her tongue out too.
- 7. If your baby turns his head away, give him a little rest before trying this again.
- 8. Playing this game will not teach your baby to be disrespectful or stick his tongue out when he is older.

SOURCE: <u>Growing Great Kids</u>: <u>Birth to 12 months</u>, Great Kids, inc. 2004. (Elliot & Flanagan)