

Games from Country

Explore First Nations Australians' instructive games — such as Thapumpun from the Wik-Mungkan Peoples of Cape Bedford in north Queensland — describing the position and movement of yourself in relation to others, objects and places.

Play

Take part in the game with your class.

Notice

Notice where you are next to others and objects.

Describe

Say how you move and where you are.

Words for position and movement.



Next to
a person



Behind
an object



Around
the space

Modelling routine

1 I do

Introduce Thapumpun and model a move: “I am next to my partner”.

2 We do

Play together and describe each position and move.

3 You do

Children play and describe where they move in relation to others.