

ANCHORING FACTS IN THE BRAIN

- Read the following story enacting the words in brackets.
- Read and act through the story again a couple of times.
- Test your partner by going through the story again without notes.

Jasper the Eccentric Cat

This is the story of Jasper the very eccentric black and white cat. Jasper loved playing 'football' (imagine and act out holding a football). Football was his number one sport (imagine the figure '1' painted on a bright orange football). Yes, football was his number one sport. Jasper wanted to be better at kicking his football, so he bought a special pair of trainers. He put one on each of his front two paws (lift up your hands and emphasize the word two as you imagine the trainers on them), but they didn't fit him very well and he skidded straight into a wall (act out your two 'paws' skidding into a wall). Ouch! 'That hurt! I want to go to bed and rest,' said Jasper.

When it was time for bed, Jasper had a very special candle at the side of his bed. He had to blow it out not once, not twice, but three times! (Act blowing out the candle, once, twice, three times.)

When Jasper woke up in the mornings, he was a greedy cat. He had four spoons of cream (emphasize the word four and act out using the spoon to slurp up cream four times), and five piles of grated cheese (act and count out grating five piles of cheese).

Jasper was then ready to play with his pet panda called 'Lucky Six', because he bought the panda on the sixth day of the sixth month of the year.