Tongue Twister 2: Betty Botter Had Some Butter

Tongue twisters are another fun way to exercise at least two cognitive abilities at once. Speaking tongue twisters requires concentration and challenging pronunciation tasks. In addition, participants can memorize the twisters between sessions. Finally, twisters are an excellent dual tasking activity; participants can simultaneously say the twisters while performing at task such as stepping up and down from a step.

# Instructions

Make a copy of the tongue twister for each participant. Begin by having each person in the group read one line. Then, ask them to remember their line and read it without looking. Depending on the size of the group, you may be able to have each participants try remembering two lines. After working on the twister for a few minutes, ask them to take it home and practice it. You can assign each person certain line(s) to remember for the next session.

Betty Botter Had Some Butter

Betty Botter had some butter,

“But,” she said, “this butter’s bitter

if I bake this bitter butter

it would make my batter bitter.

But a bit of better butter—

that would make my batter better.”

So she bought a bit of butter,

better than her bitter butter,

and she baked it in her batter,

and the batter was not bitter.

so ‘twas better Betty Botter

bought a bit of better butter.