In *Charlie & Frog*, Charlie starts learning American Sign Language in order to help Frog (who is Deaf) solve a mystery. Learning to fingerspell the alphabet and sign the numbers 1-10 is a great way to start learning American Sign Language. Deaf illustrator Carlisle Robinson drew this fingerspelling and number chart for the inside cover of book. Here are three ideas to get you started:

1. Sing the alphabet, song and see if you can fingerspell each letter as you sing.
2. Learn to fingerspell your name.
3. Learn to fingerspell secret messages so other people won’t know what you’re saying. Unless, of course, they also know how to fingerspell. Then you just have to learn to fingerspell faster!

This game is great fingerspelling practice. Sit in a circle and take turns signing different words based on a theme (such as fruits, vegetables, places or Bible characters). The trick is that each new word must start with the last letter of the previous word.