

EYFS home learning ideas

Communication and Language

Look at baby pictures of yourself and members of your family. Talk about how you have changed.	Using toys make up your own story and retell it to a member of your family. Talk about your characters and what happens in your story.	Can you retell your favourite story e.g. The Gruffalo, Goldilocks and the Three Bears.
Follow a recipe to make something delicious! Take pictures of what you did and sequence them or teach someone else to make the same!	Share pictures of key events/family days and talk about the day and how you felt that day.	Make a puppet/prop to help you retell a story / nursery rhyme.
Follow instructions to make playdough/salt dough. Can you make a character from a story and retell the story using your models?	Play the head band game. All players to have a person e.g. a book character, celebrity, footballer etc. Ask questions to try and find out who you are.	Have a variety of objects and sort them into groups and talk about what is the same about them and what is different.

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Physical Development

Go on a walk and draw a picture of what you can see/find on your travels.	Practise doing up your buttons all by yourself!	Practise writing your name including your surname if you can. Make sure the letters are formed correctly.
Keep an exercise diary of what you are doing to keep fit. As a tricky challenge can you draw pictures of what you are doing!	Can you develop your fine motor skills by threading, sewing or lacing. You could make a necklace or practise putting laces in your shoes.	Make a healthy snack for you and your family. Maybe try a delicious fruit kebab.
Practise drawing shapes and cutting them out using scissors carefully and safely!	Practise forming letters in different materials e.g. salt, sand, foam, sugar, glitter etc.	Set up your own indoor/outdoor gym and have challenge stations e.g. hop for 10 seconds on each foot, run on the spot, star jumps etc.

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Personal, Social and Emotional Development

Talk with your family / make a feelings book/ Talk about what makes you happy / sad / scared and talk about why.	Play a game with your family where you have to take turns and share.	Can you think about how you can help someone in your family / local community and do something nice for them.
Draw a picture of you and your friends and talk about what makes a good friend.	Decide on a job that you can carry out at home. This is something that you will be responsible for at home.	Find out how we can look after our world / community e.g. recycling, reusing bags, looking after endangered animals and make a poster to share with others.
Can you tidy up after yourself – this might be washing up after your lunch, sweeping up if you drop something or just tidy up your bedroom!	Plant a seed and grow a special plant/ create and make something with a member of your family. Take photographs of you working together on this project.	Work with somebody else to make a den/ treasure hunt etc.

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Literacy

Read your reading books. Talk about the characters and the key events of the story.	Practise reading and writing Phase 2 and Phase 3 tricky words.	Write a postcard/letter to a friend or to me! Don't forget to let me know what exciting things you have been up to!
Read your favourite book with somebody in your family. Can you draw a picture of your favourite character?	Practise reading the cvc words – maybe even play pass the parcel, bingo or go on a word hunt!	Go on Phonics play on the computer or your tablet. Can you read the words and sort into real and made up? (Phase 2 and Phase 3 - it is currently free at the moment!)
Play rhyming games. How many words can you say that rhyme.	Make a model e.g. rocket/animal/garage etc. Can you write a label for your model?	Write a list this could be a shopping list, a list of what you have found on a nature walk, a list of ingredients to make a cake. Don't forget to use your phonics mat!

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Mathematics

Play number bingo/ go on a number hunt. How many numbers can you recognise up to 20?	Practise counting objects this could be sweets, chocolate buttons, flowers be creative! Can you even write the correct numeral to match?	Go on a shape hunt around your house. How many different shapes can you find? Can you count the number of a certain shape and record this (numeral, pictures, tally etc)?
Find lots of different coins. How many can you recognise? How many do you have of each one?	Create your own shop and record prices on the items? (up to 20p) Can you pay for them and count out the right number of pennies?	Play a board game with your family that involves a dice and moving spaces e.g. monopoly/ ludo/ snakes and ladders etc
Can you solve some simple addition and subtraction questions e.g. $4 + 3$ and $7 - 2$. You can use objects to help you. Why not make it into a game to match the answer to the question.	Complete 1 minute challenges e.g. how many times can you jump in a minute, how many times can you write your name.	Can you order your teddies/toys in height order?

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Understanding the World

Draw and write about a special family event. Why was it special to you?	Find out about what schools are like in another country. What is the same and what is different?	Create a fact file about an animal of your choice. Include information about their habitat, what country they are found in etc.
Collect a selection of objects from around your house and find out which ones float and which ones sink.	Find objects that can be pulled and objects that can be pushed. Draw pictures or photograph them.	Create a family tree of your family. Find out about the lives of members of your family when they were little such as what school did your parents/grandparents go? Where were they born?
Keep a weather diary. What is the most common weather?	Use a blindfold and you can only use your senses to identify the objects through touch, the food through taste etc.	Go on a tree/nature hunt and see how many trees or plants you can find and identify.

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Expressive Arts and Design

Draw or paint a picture of your family. Can you label the family members in your picture?	Create a collage or a model out of junk of a train/car/animal etc.	Can you make an Easter card to send to somebody?
Make a mask from a character of a story. You could make a bear or Goldilocks from our story!	Help prepare different foods using different techniques and tools.	Design and make food to host your own picnic.
Make your own musical instrument and fill your container with different resources. Which sound is your favourite? Which are loud and quiet sounds?	Make your own wrapping paper using different objects (printing)	Dress up as a character and act in character for the day!