

EYFS summer home learning ideas

Communication and Language

Put an object in the box and questions to work out what the hidden object is.	Play a listening games such as; <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Simon Says• Pass the Parcel• Musical statues	Learn a new word every day. Try and use the word in a sentence as many times as you can!
Have conversation prompts or picture prompts and have conversation time – this could be during lunch time or snack time. 😊	Share a story together and talk about the story setting, characters and key events.	Start with a topic e.g. foods and share your likes and dislikes. You could even follow a recipe to make something you like!
Record yourself on video or a voice note sharing news or what they have been up to. This could be shared with a family member or even with me!	Play a memory games such as; <ul style="list-style-type: none">• I went to the shop and I bought....• What is missing? – show objects and then hide one.• Match the cards that are the same.	Go on a treasure hunt. Listen to the clues to find the treasure.

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Physical Development		
Practise key skills involving skipping, hula hooping, throwing, catching, jumping etc.	Plant some seeds to grow your own flowers, fruit or vegetables but make sure you help dig and rake the soil.	Try lifting and carrying buckets or bottles filled with different objects e.g. stones, water, mud.
Try and complete a jigsaw.	Develop hand and finger strength by cutting up, grating, squeezing food and then using cloths to wipe up after yourself!	Try to get the socks into the washing basket by throwing them. You could even count how many go in!
Complete a physical activity and talk about what happens to our bodies after and find out why this happens!	Learn and practise skills to help look after yourself. Some ideas are cleaning your teeth, dressing yourself, applying sun cream and talk about why this is important.	Make a bracelet or a necklace by threading beads or pasta.

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Personal, Social and Emotional Development

Help the people in your house by putting away objects in the correct places e.g. plates, toys, clothes etc.	Create a set of rules for your home that you can follow.	Make a marvellous me box with objects and photographs that are special to you. Share your boxes with each other.
Create a job list for everybody in your house so that everybody is responsible for something.	Make a model of a character Talk about what characteristics they have, their likes and dislikes and what makes them happy/sad/scared etc.	Share a story about friendship or helping each other. Here are some examples <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Zog and the flying doctors• Handa's Surprise• Famer Duck
Provide a menu for snack time and make a choice about what you like.	Develop your independence e.g. getting things themselves and putting things away. You could even create a list of things that you can do all by yourself!	Role play how to behave and interact with others in different situations e.g. <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Waiting and behaving in a restaurant• Making appointments to take animals to a vet.

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Literacy

Go on a phonics hunt. See how many sounds you can find and say, which tricky words or decodable words you can read.	Create a reading area or den. You could read a book to somebody in your house or listen to a story and talk about what is happening.	Play guess the character. Try and guess the chosen character by asking questions.
Make a model and write a set of instructions of how to make your model.	Follow a recipe and then write your own set of instructions to share with somebody.	Act out and retell a story – We're going on a bear hunt is my favourite!
Create labels or signs for models or places in your house. Don't forget to write in your best handwriting!	Write a menu for what you are having for tea each day.	Use plastic bottles and have different words on them. Throw a hoop or ball at a bottle and then read the word. Write down the words you need to practise!

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Mathematics

Hold your own sport day and have races to find out which order you come! You could even make your own medals!	Make your own wrapping paper that contains a repeating pattern!	Peg out the clothes and count how many things you peg out!
Make cakes and count out how many cake cases you will need, count the ingredients and the decorations you will be using.	Order the number cards and peg onto the washing line.	Create a shop and children to use two coins to pay for their items e.g. a 2p and a 5p to pay for a bag of crisps for 7p.
Compare objects and toys using the words heavy/light, long/short and then order them.	Learn to tell the time at each hour. Have activities to complete e.g. at 9 o'clock read your book, at 10 o'clock have a snack. Make sure you keep an eye on the clock!	Using pots, pans, cups and jugs find out which container holds the most!

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Understanding the World

Look at photographs of your family members and talk about how they have changed.	Play a game which your family played when they were younger!	Look at the birds, trees and flowers (either at your house or if you are going on a walk). Take pictures and then find out about them.
Collect a selection of objects from around your house and find out which ones are magnetic and which are not.	Find out about the life history of somebody e.g. the queen or somebody in your family.	Find out the similarities and differences between different types of animals e.g. find out about elephants or birds.
Go out into the garden and carry out a mini beast hunt. How many can you find?	Predict and test different ways to melt ice. E.g. adding warm water adding salt, holding in hands whilst wearing gloves, adding cold water etc.	Use a blindfold and listen to different sounds. What can you hear?

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Expressive Arts and Design

Create a collage of an animal, flower or an object of your choice. Use different materials such as card, paper, material, foil etc. Practise cutting, tearing and scrunching the materials.	Create a model using playdough but you can only use your hands to create it – no tools!	Use leaves, stones, bark or grass cuttings (whatever you have in your garden) to create a piece of outdoor art. Leave it on the floor and let the wind blow it away.
Learn about an illustrator and create a piece of art in the same style.	Look at photographs of interesting building, sculptures, objects or places and then make your own model!	Learn and perform a song.
Hold a dancing party – have a selection of different music and adapt your dancing style to match the music.	Create your own musical instructions by using, pans, spoons, colanders, plastic bins. Talk about the sounds that they are making.	Make your own wind chime for your garden.