









Remote Learning KS1 and EYFS
Busy Birds Ideas



- Collect 4 items from around your house and create your own Tales Toolkit Story. Read Miss Prud'homme's story below as an example. She found a plastic egg, some sticks, some cotton wool and a toy bird to help her create a story.

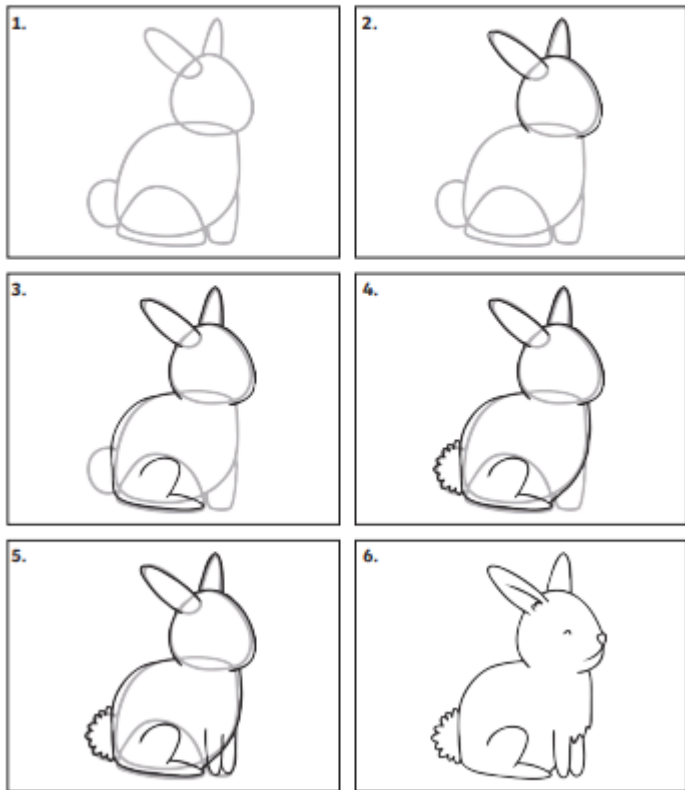
 Character	 Setting	 Problem	 Solution
Plastic Egg	Sticks	Cotton Wool	Toy bird
			

Once upon a time there was a little egg (character). It lived at a nest at the very top of some trees (setting). Then some very angry rain clouds came and rained on the egg and blew the trees around (problem). Luckily a bird flew past and sat on the egg to protect it (solution).

Step-by-Step Drawing Guide

Drawing characters from The Messy Magpie

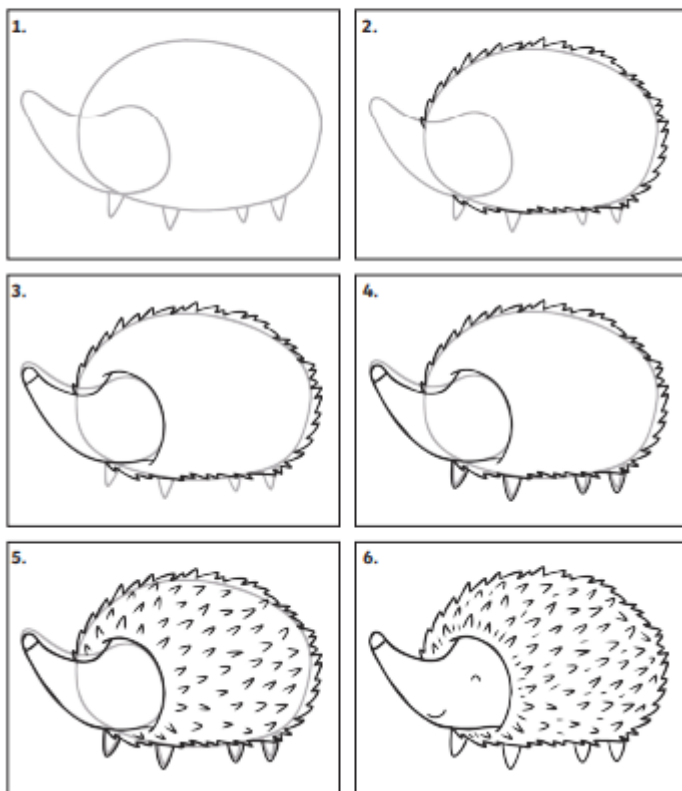
Bunny



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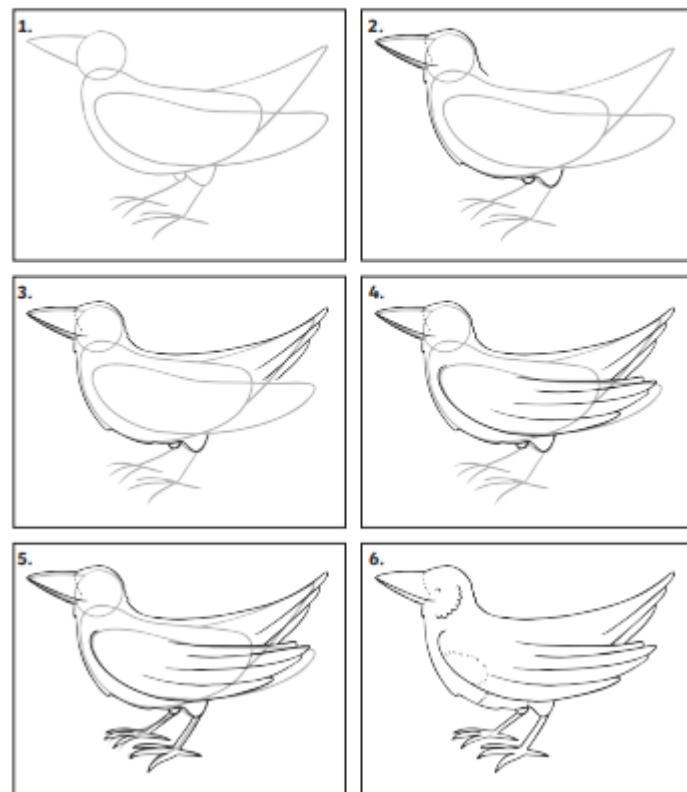
Hedgehog



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Morris



Follow the instructions on this sheet to make your own playdough
– no cooking or hot water required!

No-Cook Playdough

Ingredients

2 cups plain flour
1 cup salt
1 tbsp oil
1 cup cold water
2 drops liquid food colouring
– any colour of your choosing

Method

1. Mix the flour and salt together in a large mixing bowl.
2. Add the cold water, oil and drops of food colouring and mix together.
3. When your ingredients are well mixed, take them out of your bowl and place your dough onto a flat surface, such as greaseproof paper.
4. Knead vigorously for a few minutes, until your dough feels like playdough and all of the stickiness has gone.

What is kneading?

This is when you press, massage, squeeze and fold your dough.

If your dough is too wet, add a little extra flour and carry on kneading.

If your dough is too dry and crumbly, add an extra drop of cold water and carry on kneading.

Make sure you add any extra ingredients a little bit at a time.



Silly Stretchy Putty

You will need:

Cornflour
Smooth yoghurt – any flavour
Bowl or tray

Method

1. Mix 1 cup of yoghurt and 1 cup of cornflour together.
2. Keep mixing until firm. Add more cornflour or yoghurt as needed.
3. Knead the dough until it is the consistency of stretchy putty.
4. Enjoy the stretchy, sticky dough! You may like to enhance the dough with a variety of non-edible additions.



Non-screen activities you can do at home

Pobble

What can you do when there's no school and you're stuck at home? Here are 25 fun ideas to choose from.

25 ideas!

1 How many different words can you make from the letters in this sentence, below? Grab a pencil and paper and write a list!

Learning from home is fun!

2 Thank a community hero. Think of someone that helps you in some way and write a short letter to thank them.

Thanks!

3 Get building! You could build a Lego model, a tower of playing cards or something else!



4 Can you create your own secret code? You could use letters, numbers, pictures or something else! Can you get someone else to try and crack it?

5 Start a nature diary. Look out of the window each day and keep note of what you see. Birds, flowers, changes in the weather, what else?

6 Hold a photo session. Use a camera or a mobile phone to take some snaps. What will you photograph? Your pets or toys perhaps?

7 Build a reading den. Find somewhere cosy, snuggle up and read your favourite book!



8 Use an old sock to create a puppet. Can you put on a puppet show for someone?



9 Make a list of all the electrical items in each room of your home. Can you come up with any ideas to use less electricity?

10 Design and make a homemade board game and play it with your family.



11 Do something kind for someone. Can you pay them a compliment, make them something or help them with a task?



12 Can you create a story bag? Find a bag and collect items to go in it that relate to a well known story. If you can't find an item, you could draw a picture to include.



13 List making! Write a list of things that make you happy, things you're grateful for or things you are good at.

14 Design and make an obstacle course at home or in the garden. How fast can you complete it?



15 Can you invent something new? Perhaps a gadget or something to help people? Draw a picture or write a description.



16 Keep moving! Make up a dance routine to your favourite song.



17 Write a play script. Can you act it out to other people?



18 Read out loud to someone. Remember to read with expression.



19 Write a song or rap about your favourite subject.



20 Get sketching! Find a photograph or picture of a person, place or object and sketch it.



21 Junk modelling! Collect and recycle materials such as yoghurt pots, toilet rolls and boxes and see what you can create with them.

22 Draw a map of your local area and highlight interesting landmarks.



23 Write a postcard to your teacher. Can you tell them what you like most about their class?


24 Draw a view. Look out of your window and draw what you see.



25 Get reading! What would you most like to learn about? Can you find out more about it in books? Can you find a new hobby?

30 Day LEGO Challenge

Follow the instructions for each day. The only rule is to have fun and use your imagination!

Day 1	Day 2	Day 3	Day 4
You were hired by an amusement park to create a new roller coaster.	NASA needs you to build a new rocket.	Your parents want to build a new home and they want you to build it.	Hollywood hires you to build a movie set for a new Star Wars movie.
Day 6	Day 8	Day 7	Day 8
You enter a contest to build the world's tallest tower. Will you win?	You are stuck on Mars and need to build a new ship to get home.	Ford hires you to create the toughest pick up truck in the world.	You and 4 friends are stranded on an island. Build a boat to find a way home.
Day 12	Day 13	Day 14	Day 16
Dr. Who hires you to build a new TARDIS.	You are asked by the President to build a new monument to George Washington.	Mr. Hilton hires you to build a new hotel.	There is a circus in town. Build a place for the performance.
Day 19	Day 20	Day 21	Day 22
The city wants you to build a bridge to connect one side of the town to the other.	Pizza party! It is up to you to make a pizza for all the guests.	You are hired to build a brand new hospital.	The fence is broke and the dog keeps escaping. Build one he can't get out of.
Day 26	Day 27	Day 28	Day 29
You are elected ruler. Build a flag for your land.	Aliens are invading and you need to build a war robot to defeat them.	The aliens have taken over. They are impressed by your robot. They want you build one for them.	You are hired to build a house entirely out of yellow Legos.
			Day 30
			There is blizzard. You will need to build a snowmobile
			
			What was your favorite day?

Listen to one of the stories read by a St Mary's adult or ask an adult to read one of your own stories to you.

<http://www.banburystmarysschool.co.uk/story-time.html>

Play some educational games on Purple Mash

<https://www.purplemash.com/sch/stmaryschurchofe7>

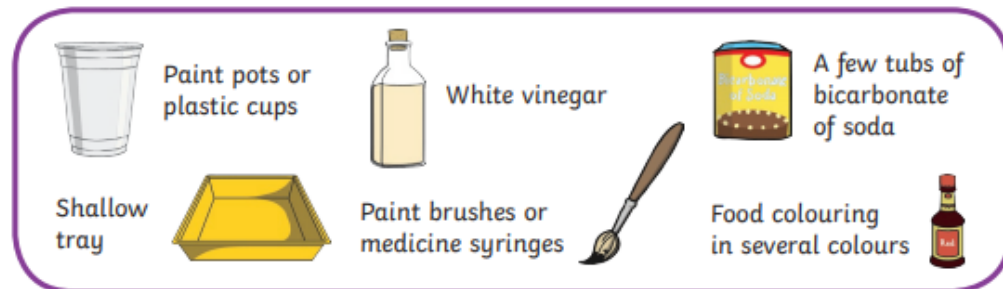
Have a look at some of the games on Phonics Play

<https://www.phonicsplay.co.uk/resources>

Awe and Wonder

Fizzy Colours

You will need:



Method:

1. Pour out the bicarbonate of soda into the tray and spread it out.
2. Drop a few blobs of different coloured food colouring into each paint pot.
3. Top up to half full with white vinegar.
4. Put a paint brush or medicine syringe into each paint pot.
5. Suck the coloured vinegar into the syringe or soak the paint brush.
6. Drip the colour into the tray. What happens to the powder? What happens to the liquid?
7. Once you have dripped 2 or more colours use the brush to mix the 2 colours together. What happens?
8. What can you see in the mixture?



The Science

You just made a chemical reaction! You mixed the acid (vinegar) and the alkali (bicarbonate of soda). Did you see the bubbles of carbon dioxide (CO_2)? That is a gas. The bicarbonate of soda is an alkali, it reacts or changes when it mixes with an acid like vinegar because they are very different. If you mix either one with water (which is neutral, not an acid or an alkali) nothing happens because they are not as different.

Awe and Wonder

Cornflour Slime

You will need:



A large bowl



200-300g cornflour

Food colouring



Large covered table or area where mess is not a problem



200ml water

Aprons

Method:

1. Pour the cornflour into the bowl.
2. Pour the water in, mixing slowly as you go. Keep adding more water until the mixture becomes thick (and hardens when you tap on it).
3. Add a few drops of food colouring to make your slime the colour you want it.
4. Put your hands in the slime and experiment with handling it.
5. What happens when you pick the slime up, squeeze it or even punch or slap it?
6. Do you think it is a solid or a liquid?
7. How is it different to water?



The Science

The slime is a non-Newtonian liquid which means it is different to 'normal' liquids. It gets thicker when it is pushed or pressed down. The cornflour is not actually dissolved in the water so when pressure is put on the mixture, the water molecules are pushed away. Other non-Newtonian liquids react in different ways to pressure. Tomato ketchup gets runnier if you shake it. If you whip cream for a long time, it gets thicker and thicker.

Bubbling Magic Potions

Science Experiment



Method

1. Begin by placing the bowl or cauldron onto the tray – this will make clean up easier!
2. Then pour some vinegar into the bowl/cauldron.
3. Next, stir in some food colouring or powder paint.
4. Then add a squeeze of washing up liquid.
5. Next, sprinkle in some glitter and sequins.
6. Then add some bicarbonate of soda and stir the mixture with your magic wand or spoon.
7. Watch what happens as your potion begins to fizz and bubble!
8. Continue adding bicarbonate of soda, washing up liquid and vinegar to continue the reaction. Try adding different coloured powder paint or food colouring too! Bubble bath could also be used instead of washing up liquid.

You will need:

Bicarbonate of soda (also known as baking soda)

Distilled white or malt vinegar

Washing up liquid

Food colouring or powder paint

Glitter and sequins

A bowl or plastic cauldron

A magic wand or spoon



Flying Broomstick

Science Experiment

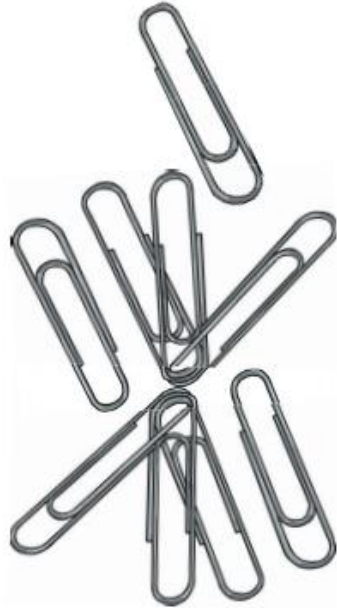


Method

1. Begin by showing the children the Witch Picture and Scene. Talk about how the witch has a magical broomstick that can fly through the sky!
2. Ask the children to carefully stick some paperclips onto the back of the witch picture.
3. Show the children how to place a magnet behind the scene and the broomstick onto the front of the scene.
4. Encourage the children to explore moving the magnet along the back of the scene, to make the witch move across the scene and 'fly' from one side to the other!
5. Children could explore making the witch fly in circles, upside down or backwards, by moving the magnet in different ways. They could also draw their own pictures and scenes and explore making a longer scene for the witch to 'fly' over.

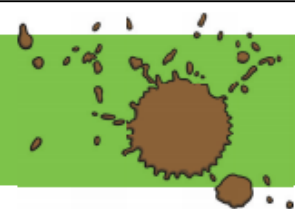
You will need:

- Magnet
- Metal paperclips
- Sticky tape
- Witch Picture and Scene (laminated)



Magical Mud

Science Experiment



Method

1. Begin by putting two cups of cornflour in the bowl.
2. Add a cup of water and a few drops of brown food colouring.
3. Encourage the children to mix the ingredients together using their hands.
4. Encourage the children to explore the 'magical mud' and talk about what they can see and feel.
5. Encourage the children to explore different ways of handling and shaping the dough. They could try rolling it into a ball, tapping or hitting it in the bowl or letting it run through their fingers.

You will need:

Cornflour

Water

Bowl

Brown food colouring

