

Learning through play ideas

<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ➤ Can you make a shop using food from your cupboards, or some of your toys and real coins? ➤ Can you make price tags for things? ➤ Can you write your own price tags, with the price and the name of the object? ➤ Could you make a sign for your shop? 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ➤ Can you sort all of your toys from biggest to smallest? ➤ Tallest to shortest? ➤ Or can you sort them into colours? 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ➤ Can you think of an animal for every letter of the alphabet? ➤ Can you find an object for every colour of the rainbow? 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ➤ Can you bake a cake? Carefully weigh out the ingredients and use your strong muscles to mix it all together!
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ➤ Can you build your favourite animal out of construction? Or playdough? Or junk modelling? 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ➤ Can you sort out your rubbish at home into recycling/ non recycling? 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ➤ Can you go to the beach and find a stick or a feather and write your name in the sand? ➤ Or find a stick in your garden and write in the mud. ➤ Or practice using chalks or paints! 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ➤ Can you build a tower using objects you can find around your house and garden? E.g. books, construction, stones, a pack of cards etc.
<p>Have fun with language!</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ➤ Can you learn a new nursery rhyme? ➤ Can you use different voices for different characters in the story? ➤ Can you read stories that have repetitive parts and join in with them? 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ➤ Create an obstacle course that you can wriggle through. You could go under a chair, around a bucket, etc. 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ➤ Try playing some simple board or card games together or try working together to build a jigsaw puzzle. ➤ Talk about taking turns and making it fair. 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ➤ Look for numbers when you visit different places. Talk about house numbers, car number plates, prices of goods in the supermarket, etc. ➤ Can you recognise what the number is and say one more or one less than them?
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ➤ Go into the garden or out for a walk. What can you see? What is alive? E.g. plants, creatures, people. What changes have happened recently to the seasons? ➤ Can you draw, make a list, or take some photos of things that you found? 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ➤ Can you count how many stairs you have? ➤ Can you count how many steps it takes from your bedroom to the front door? ➤ Can you count how many fingers and toes you have altogether? ➤ Can you count how many cuddly toys you have? 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ➤ Try making a fruit or vegetable kebab. See if you can make this into a repeating pattern. ➤ You could also colour pasta and thread this to create necklaces. ➤ Can you make your pattern more complicated by using more fruits? ➤ Talk about healthy eating, repeated patterns etc. 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ➤ How many birds can you see when you're outside? ➤ Can you make a tally? ➤ Can you name any of them?