

2020 Early Years Transition

Challenge booklet

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**Introduction**

In this pack are a number of activities that children might like to do, at home with their parent/carers and siblings or at school in their ‘bubbles’. They are designed for children in Reception and Year 1, but could be used with children joining Reception classes in September or across KS1

We hope you enjoy them.

**Challenge 1: Grow your own beanstalk**

**Here is a fun activity you could do while you are at home waiting to be able to come back to school. Why not try and grow your own beanstalk? When you come into school we can see who has the tallest beanstalk or you might be able to share pictures of your beanstalk with the class from home.**

**Record how tall your beanstalk grows**



In the table below record how tall your beanstalk has grown by drawing pictures or adding photographs.

|  |  |
| --- | --- |
| Number of days after planting | Drawing/photo |
| Day 2 |  |
| Day 4 |  |
| Day 6 |  |

**Challenge 2: Nature hunt**



Here is a fun activity you could do at school or while you are at home waiting to be able to come back to school.

Go on a nature hunt and look for something:

|  |  |  |
| --- | --- | --- |
| round | shiny | rough |
| smooth | soft | dull |
| brown | green | moving |

Now draw them in the boxes below

|  |  |  |
| --- | --- | --- |
| round  | shiny | rough |
| smooth | soft | dull |
| brown | green | moving |

**Challenge 3: Counting objects at home**

Here is a fun activity you could do at school or while you are at home waiting to be able to come back to school.

How many of these things can you find and count around your house? Add your own ideas in the empty boxes

|  |  |  |  |
| --- | --- | --- | --- |
| Table and chairschairs | Spoonspoons | Booksbooks | Bootshoes |
| Winter hathats | Socksocks | Soccer ballballs | Group successpeople |

Now can you sort them into groups/categories? Do some belong in more than one group/category?

**Challenge 4: Shape hunt**

Here is a fun activity you could do at school or while you are at home waiting to be able to come back to school.

Can you find objects that look like:

|  |  |  |
| --- | --- | --- |
| Square | triangle | circle |
| Rectangle | hexagon | pentagon |

How many sides do these shapes have?

Can you sort them into groups?

**Challenge 5: Story time**

Here is a fun activity you could do at school or while you are at home waiting to be able to come back to school.

Listen to a story and draw a picture/write some sentences about your favourite character or part of the story. Someone at home or at school might be able to read you a story, if not, or if they would like to listen to the story, too, you could listen to an audio book. There are lots of websites for this. Here is one:

[www.oxfordowl.co.uk](http://www.oxfordowl.co.uk)

