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Babies

Tummy time: encourage your baby to enjoy tummy time using mirrors and laying them down on different textures such as a fluffy rug, soft duvet, silky scarf

Water play: put some toys in a shallow bowl and fill with a small amount of water and encourage your baby to splash.

Sing: Babies love the sound of your voice and it can sooth them when they are fretful. Put some music on and sing...your baby doesn't care what you sound like!

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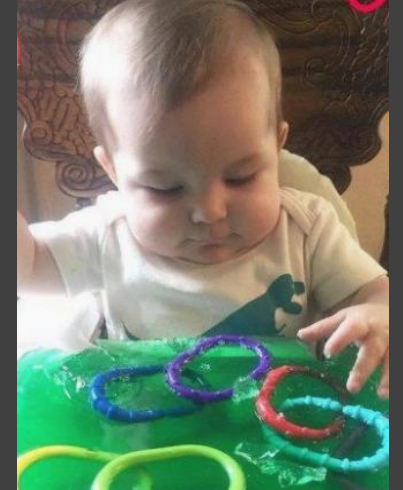
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Toddlers



Sellotape Toy Rescue:
Tape down small toys on a tray, radiator or baking sheet, let your toddler peel the tape to rescue the toys.

Jelly Toy Dig: Prepare this the night before! Put some sturdy toys in a dish, make the jelly according to instructions and pour onto the toys, pop into the fridge to set. Let your toddler dig with hands, spoons etc



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Pre Schoolers

Ideas to keep your busy little people happy



Another idea to use up toilet rolls! Cut the rolls in half, number them and stick them to a cardboard box, get your toddler to weave through them with string or shoelaces

Obstacle Course: Use chairs, sofa cushions, boxes to create an obstacle course around the home. You could time them, hide treats along the way etc. Add in the "the floor is lava" for older children too.

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Ideas to keep them learning

Roll a Story 

Roll a single die three times to mix and match story elements

Roll #	Character	Setting	Problem
	A beautiful princess	In a faraway galaxy	Gets eaten by...
	An angry alien	In an old castle	Turns into a tree
	A cowboy	In a magic forest	Finds a magic wand
	A scary dinosaur	On a big ship	Falls into a lake
	A zombie	In a haunted house	Meets a big monster
	An evil witch	On the moon	Finds a strange box

Using dice from a board game (or you could google how to make your own) get your child to create a funny story. Play along with them and see what you come up with

Make paper planes and see how high/fast/far they can fly

Make a fairy garden, using a baking tray and foil, add soil, little rocks, twigs, glitter etc to create a tiny garden for fairies



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online resources

Ideas to keep them learning and busy

TV Shows to help educate

Netflix: The Magic School

StoryBots

Sky: Ocean Rescue: Dive In & Do It

Amazon Prime: Horrible Science

Great Greek Myths

YouTube: Horrible Histories

Operation Ouch

SkyKids App: Interactive art, quizzes, phonics, coding & maths

Carol Vorderman: [themathsfactor.com](https://www.themathsfactor.com) This will be free until schools reopen

<https://www.quentinblake.com/fun-free/colouring>



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Print Out & Use

Ideas to keep them learning and busy

The following activity sheets have been created by staff and volunteers to help you and your family during this difficult time. Please print out and enjoy. They will be updated each week so be sure to keep checking!

Scavenger Hunt Week 2

RAINBOW SCAVENGER HUNT

primary playground

-  Find something red.
-  Find something yellow.
-  Find something orange.
-  Find something green.
-  Find something blue.
-  Find something purple.
-  Name a fruit that is red.
-  Name an animal that is yellow.
-  Name a vegetable that is orange.
-  Name a plant that is green.
-  Name a flower that is purple.
-  Name something outside that is blue.



Scavenger Hunt Week 1

- ☐ Something fluffy
- ☐ Something made from wood
- ☐ Something shiny
- ☐ Something that you love
- ☐ Something that begins with "B"
- ☐ Something tiny
- ☐ Something that smells nice
- ☐ Something with wheels
- ☐ Something red
- ☐ Something smooth



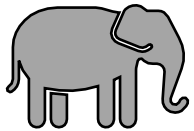
Animal Work Out



FROG: Hop and leap back and forth like a frog



GORILLA: Sink into a low squat, knuckles on floor and shuffle around the room



ELEPHANT: March on the spot, knees as high as you can, stomping the floor



CRAB: Sit, place palms on floor behind you, crawl side ways



SNAKE: Lie on your tummy and slither on the floor