



EYFS & Reception Activity Guide

FOR EYFS TEACHERS

Guide 8 of 10

Curriculum-linked activities for ages 3-5.

Each activity in this guide maps directly to EYFS Development Matters statements and Early Learning Goals. Use the mapping table to evidence progress in your learning journals and planning documents.

EYFS Development Matters Mapping

Bubble Pop

PHYSICAL DEVELOPMENT

Develops overall body strength, co-ordination, balance and agility. Uses core muscle strength to achieve a good posture when sitting.

Letter Tracing

LITERACY: WORD READING

Understands the five key concepts about print. Demonstrates understanding of letter-sound correspondence.

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COMMUNICATION & LANGUAGE

Articulates ideas using well-formed sentences. Can listen and respond to books, songs and rhymes.

Number Tracing

MATHEMATICS: NUMBER

Has a deep understanding of number to 10. Subitises (recognises quantities without counting).

Sort & Place

MATHEMATICS: SHAPE & SPACE

Select, rotate and manipulate shapes in order to develop spatial reasoning.

Free Paint

EXPRESSIVE ARTS & DESIGN

Explores, uses and refines a variety of artistic effects to express their ideas.

Word Search

LITERACY: COMPREHENSION

Demonstrates understanding of what has been read to them by retelling.

PLANNING TIP

These EYFS links make Draw in the Air fully justifiable in your medium-term planning as a digital learning tool, not "screen time". Document sessions in your learning environment photos as evidence of Physical Development and Literacy in action.

Sample Reception Session Plan (15 Minutes)

Time	Phase	What to do
0:00	Intro	Gather children on the carpet. Explain: "We're going to use magic hands to write letters!"
0:02	Teach the gesture	Model the pinch gesture on the projected screen. Ask 2-3 children to try. Celebrate each attempt.
0:05	Whole class	Choose the Letter of the Week. All children trace together on individual devices.
0:10	Independent	Children choose any letter they want to practise. Teacher circulates and narrates progress.
0:13	Reflection	Ask: "Which letter did you draw? What sound does it make? Can you think of a word?"
0:15	Tidy up	Close laptop lids together. Transition to the next activity.