Home Learning activities for Reception Children

Build a Reading Den Find somewhere cosy, snuggle up and read your favourite book.	Tricky word hunt - Write tricky words on post it notes/ stickers/pieces of paper and hide them around the house for children to find and read.	Start a nature diary - look out of the window each day and note down what you see e.g. birds, flowers, changes in weather, what else?	Design and make an obstacle course at home or in the garden - how fast can you complete it?	Toy addition Practise adding two groups of toys together to total up to 10 / 20.	Character description Draw one of the characters from your favourite book. Can you write a simple sentence to describe what they look like? E.g. She has long hair.	Design and make a homemade board game and play it with your family.	Happy Hands Who has the biggest hands in your family? How did you find out? Can you make a shadow puppet? Can you make a clapping pattern with your hands?
Use an old sock to create a puppet – can you put on a puppet show? Get your grown up to video it.	Can you create a story bag? Find a bag and collect items to go in that relate to a well-known story. If you can't find an item you could draw a picture.	Draw a view Look out of your window and draw what you can see.	Socks Find a pair of socks for everyone in your house. Can you match them together? How many do you have altogether? Can you count in 2's?	Get Sketching! Find an object or picture of a person, place or object and sketch it.	Letter Formation – Using chalk or a paintbrush dipped in water practise letter formation outside on the ground.	Tricky word snap - Write your own word cards (4 of each word) and play snap.	Money Madness! Can you sort the coins by shape / colour / count how many you have? Can you make a pattern / coin rubbing?
Junk Modelling Collect recyclable materials such as yogurt pots, kitchen roll, boxes and see what you can create with them.	Minibeast hunt – How many different bugs can you find in your garden? Can you make a list / draw a picture of what you found?	1 minute challenge! How many times can you Hop, write your name, clap your hands, count to 20, do a star jump	Match capital letters & lower case letters Write the capital letters& lower case letters on bits of paper and mix them up, can you match them all?	20 actions What can you do 20 times? Jump on the spot Hop Clap Tap your knees Star jumps	Corn flour gloop Slowly add one cup of cold water to two cups of cornflour in a bowl. Stir until the water is absorbed by the cornflour. Add colour if you like. Put the gloop into a container with spoons, cups and other utensils.	Shape Hunt Search in your house or garden for 2D or 3D shapes.	Clocks How many clocks do you have in your house? What is similar / different? Can you make a clock and practise writing the numbers? Play What's the time Mr Wolf?
Treasure Map – Hide your teddy. Use words to describe where he is e.g. behind, on top, underneath. Ask a grown up to hide something for you to find. Draw a map to help.	Estimation station Fill a jam jar, cup or bottle with marbles, toy cars, or pieces of lego. Estimate how many are inside. Can your family have a go too? Count to check who was the closest.	Floating or Sinking Collect a variety of different materials. Will they float or sink? Predict before you find out. You could do this in the bath, sink or a large container.	Cooking / baking Measuring ingredients and observing how materials change e.g. melting chocolate.	Spoons Hide them around your house. Find them and place them in size order. Which spoons float / sink? Which are the heaviest / lightest?	Patterns Everywhere! Look for patterns in your house- wallpaper, tiles, duvet cover. Which shapes and colours can you see? Design your own pattern.	Size Challenge What is shorter / taller than you in your house? Can you find something the same size? Can you measure how tall you are?	Dressing up Can you get dressed before your grown up counts to 20? Can you do it quicker? Can you sort clothes by item / colour?