Junior Infant Activities

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| Listening games/word games – I spy, 20 questions, memory games, hide a small object to find, bingo. | Cutting and sticking activities  Cut out pictures from magazines and make a collage or a picture | Colouring activities  Drawing/sketching activities  Dot to dot puzzles  Tracing pictures | Do jigsaws and puzzles | Imaginative play, roleplay, dress up, build a fort. |
| Baking and cooking activities. | Make models with playdough |
| Do some planting in the back garden. | Play board games, dice games, card games or dominoes. | Letter formation – practice writing the letters. Draw the letters in sand/rice. | Make a picture diary of the time spent at home. | Write or copy simple sentences. |
| Make lists of the word families  -an, -at, -it, -in, -an, -on, ot, -up etc  Learn tricky words 1-20 and put into sentences. | Learn/practice how to do a simple task   * Tie laces * Zip coats * Open/close food containers, beakers etc. | Practise recognising and naming 2D and 3D shapes in the environment – squares, rectangles, triangles, cubes, spheres etc. | Make colour/shape patterns using blocks, lego, counters, teddies and other toys or items around the house. | Practise telling the time – o’clock, half past… |
| Make groups of 2, 3, 4 etc using lego or blocks or anything around the house. |
| Number formation – practice writing numbers 1-10. Draw the numbers in sand or rice. | Do simple adding and take away sums 1-10 | Reading   * Read books and stories as much as you can. * Discuss the characters, setting, plot, illustrations/pictures * Talk about alternative endings. What if…? * Spot tricky words * Spot letters, double letters, words from a particular word family. * Draw a picture of your favourite character, the setting, a dramatic moment * Ask your child questions about the plot, characters and setting. How did the character feel when…? * Non-fiction books – research the topic more online. Look up pictures and facts. | | |
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