

Can you tell a story? (remember your best storytelling voice!)

Create a 'basket' of props – they can be anything you have (some ideas are below). They may be from a 'known' story or one you have yet to make up! The possibilities of your story telling are endless, the main thing is to have fun! Pick some items from the selection (not too many) Think about how your story will start – one day, once upon a time etc, think about where it takes place, think about what characters are in the story. Think about what happens (and how the problem is solved) and you have your story!



what's in the storytelling tin?

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What you need:

- An empty tin/box/ container.
- Gather loose parts or small world toys – create a theme to make a story.

- Before opening the container – What do you think will be inside? What story do you think we could make today?
- Open the lid and invite children to look at the objects.
- What story could we make up with these objects?
- Who will be the character? Where is the story set? What will they do? Will something happen? How will the problem be solved? How will you story end?
- Think about how the character will talk? How will they move? What sounds may you hear in the setting?
- Have fun creating different stories – adapt and change them. You could do this task on a different day with added new objects that change the theme or story line.

Extension idea: You might like to film your children playing, so they can watch back the story they have created.



We're Going on a Bear Hunt
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Storytelling Basket and Story Sorting

