



# YEAR 1

# ENGLISH



## SUGGESTED ACTIVITIES & RESOURCES



### READING ACTIVITIES

- Read aloud together daily
- Take turns reading simple books
- Create a cosy reading corner
- Visit the local library weekly
- Read recipes, signs and shopping lists together
- Go on a "word hunt" around the house
- Practice sight words using flashcards or sticky notes
- Listen to audiobooks while following along



### WRITING ACTIVITIES

- Keep a simple daily journal
- Write letters or cards to family members
- Create shopping lists together
- Label drawings with words and sentences
- Make comic strips
- Write silly stories together
- Practice sentence building with word cards
- Use playdough or sand trays for spelling practice



### PHONICS & SPELLING ACTIVITIES

- Rhyming games
- Sound scavenger hunts
- Alphabet puzzles
- Magnetic letter spelling
- Clap syllables in words
- Match pictures to beginning sounds
- Make simple CVC words using letter tiles
- Practice spelling through movement games



### SPEAKING & LISTENING ACTIVITIES

- Retell favourite stories
- Puppet shows and role play
- Follow simple instructions games
- Describe mystery objects
- Family storytelling nights
- "Would You Rather?" questions
- Sing nursery rhymes and songs
- Practice giving directions



### HANDS-ON ENGLISH IDEAS

- Create mini books
- Make story puppets
- Build words using LEGO letters
- Chalk writing outdoors
- Nature word collections
- Alphabet treasure hunts
- Create signs for pretend shops or cafes
- Story sequencing cards



### FREE WEBSITES & APPS

#### Reading & Phonics

- ★ Reading Eggs – [readingeggs.com.au](http://readingeggs.com.au)
- ★ Teach Your Monster to Read – [teachyourmonster.org](http://teachyourmonster.org)
- ★ Starfall – [starfall.com](http://starfall.com)
- ★ Oxford Owl Free eBooks – [home.oxfordowl.co.uk/reading/free-ebooks/](http://home.oxfordowl.co.uk/reading/free-ebooks/)



#### Literacy Games & Learning

- ★ ABCya Literacy Games – [abcya.com](http://abcya.com)
- ★ Topmarks English Games – [topmarks.co.uk/english-games/5-7-years/letters-and-sounds](http://topmarks.co.uk/english-games/5-7-years/letters-and-sounds)
- ★ Storyline Online – [storylineonline.net](http://storylineonline.net)
- ★ ABC Education – [education.abc.net.au](http://education.abc.net.au)



### RECOMMENDED RESOURCES



Picture books



Magnetic letters



Whiteboards and markers



Alphabet puzzles



Flashcards



Beginner readers



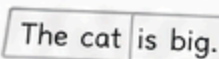
Puppets



Playdough



Sidewalk chalk



Sentence strips



Magnetic letters



Notebooks and pencils

