

Children's University Spring Challenge 2017

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 <p>Write a story that begins with the line "Sunlight spread through the forest as a moist brown nose poked out of the hole in the ground sniffing the fresh spring air..." Read the story out loud to your family and friends.</p> <p>Links to: Creative writing. Learning Destination: Your local library. Duration: 1 hour</p>	<p>Learn how to build a Bee B & B. Find out how on the RSPB website. If this activity isn't suitable for you, pick another from their list of suggestions. www.rspb.org.uk</p> <p>Links to: Conservation Learning Destination: Pets At Home Duration: 2-4 hours</p> 	 <p>Build a model of a castle. Use cardboard boxes and other items you find at home. Make some furniture to go into the castle. Decide who lives in the castle and what period of history it is from.</p> <p>Links to: History Learning Destination: Castle Duration: 2 hours</p>	<p>Research any other country in the world. Find out as much information as you can about the country at this time of year. What is the weather like? What are the children your age likely to be doing? What is school like?</p> <p>Links to: Geography Learning Destination: Your Local Library Duration: 1 hour</p> 	<p>Make some paper aeroplanes using different designs. Take them outside to fly them and find out which one travels the furthest. How could your designs be improved?</p> <p>Links to: Physics/Design & Technology Duration: 1 Hour</p>
<p>Go for a walk through the countryside or in your nearest woods or forest. Draw pictures of all the different flowers that you find there. When you get home try to identify the types of flowers using the internet or the library.</p> <p>Links to: Ecology Learning Destination: Forestry Commission Forests Duration: 1 hour</p>	<p>Keep a weather diary for one week. Record the weather conditions at the same time of the day each day; morning, lunchtime and evening for example. Decorate your diary with drawings or painting of the weather.</p> <p>Links to: Meteorology Duration: 2 hours</p> 	<p>Create a piece of art using items found in the kitchen. You could use dried pasta or cereals. Mount your artwork in a home-made frame and give it a title.</p> <p>Links to: Fine Art Learning Destination: Your nearest Art Gallery and Museum. Duration: 1 hour</p>	<p>In your garden or another outdoor space make yourself a flower box. Be imaginative, you could fill a bucket or other container with soil. Plant some flower seeds and record the results. Keep a log of which seeds you planted, which ones grew and which ones didn't. Why do you think this is?</p> <p>Links to: Horticulture/Environmental Science Duration: 3-5 hours</p>	<p>Research your favourite actor or TV presenter. How many and what shows or films have they performed in? What do you know about their life? Why do you enjoy their work? Create a fanzine with all the information in.</p> <p>Links to: Drama and Performance/ Journalism. Duration: 1 hour</p>

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Create a musical band. What items in your house could be made into musical instruments? Get together with friends and perform a song for your family

[Links to: Music](#)
[Duration: 2 hours](#)

Find out as much as you can about Sir Charles Hastings using the internet and your local library. Imagine you are Sir Charles and write an imaginary diary entry.

[Links to: History](#)
[Duration: 2 hours](#)



Design a brand new computer game! Develop the storyline and invent the characters in the game. Draw some screen shorts of the game in action. What age range is the game for? Is it similar to any other games that already exist?

[Links to: Game Art Design](#)
[Duration: 1 hour](#)

Make some hot cross buns. Keep a record of how you did it. What were the ingredients and how much did they weigh? Did you measure them in ounces or grams? Try making buns with different flavours. Which is your favourite?

[Links to: Food & Culinary Arts](#)
[Duration: 1.5 hours](#)

Practise miming certain actions. For example; walking a dog, opening a present or waiting for a bus. Put your actions into a sequence and perform a mine show for your family and friends.

[Links to: Drama and Performance](#)
[Duration: 2 Hour](#)