



10 MORE DRAMA GAMES TO PLAY AT HOME

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The Speech Bubbles drama practitioners have put together 10 more of their favourite games and activities that you can try at home!

Find out more about Speech Bubbles and our practitioners on page 6.

HELLO SONG

This needs two or more people. Teach all the people you are with the Hello song... you can use any tune or it can even be done spoken!

You sing - **"We have come to say Hello to everyone!
Hello!"**

Others respond - **"Hello!"**

You sing - **"Hello!"**

Others respond - **"Hello!"**

Then repeat but this time make your voice very quiet, or very loud and they respond in the same way. Let different people have a go of leading and try out as many different voices as you can imagine!



ICE CREAM SHOP

Set up a pretend Ice Cream shop.

Draw or print out some pictures of different flavour ice creams, don't forget the sprinkles and sauces! Make a shop sign and set it all out neatly.

Call out 'Ice cream, ice cream' and when your customers come you could ask them what ice cream flavour they want. Don't forget to get them to pay (if you have toy money you could use that or maybe you could just pretend the money).

What other shops could you set up?

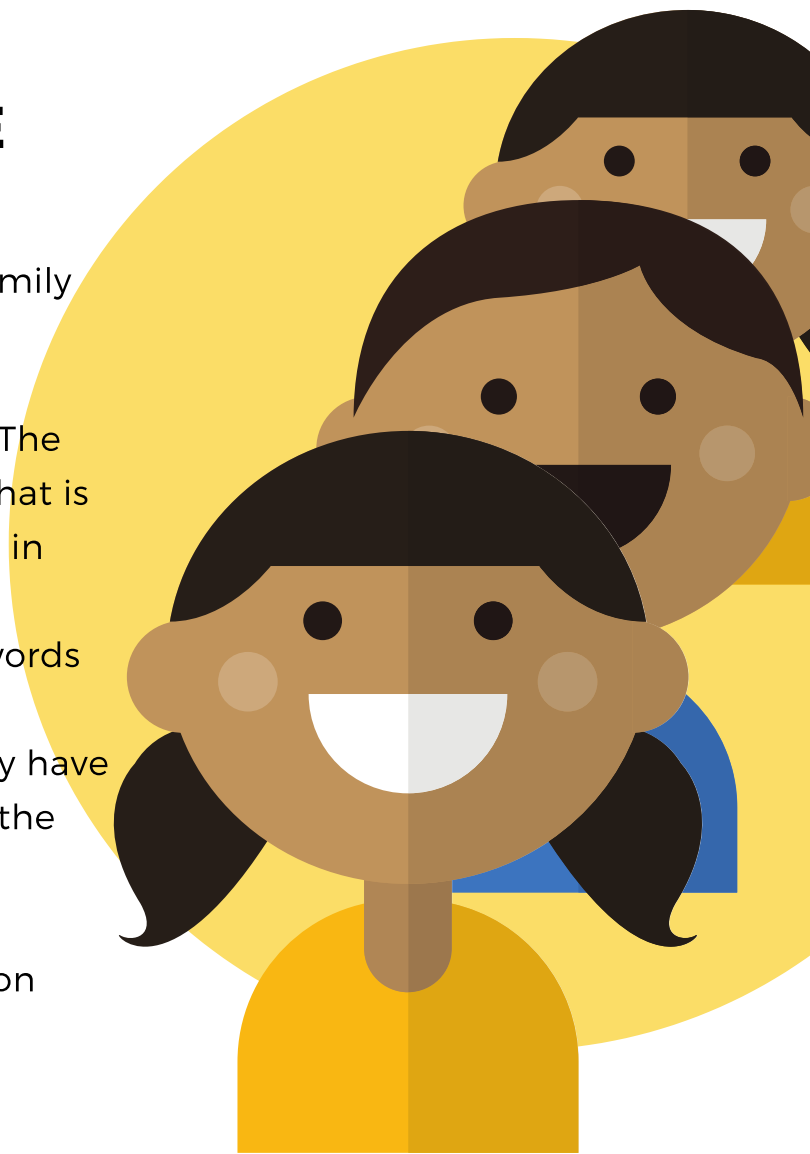


MIME DOWN THE LINE

For this game you need some of your family or could even try it out on a video call!

Stand in a line all facing the same way. The person at the back thinks of an object that is easy to mime. They then tap the person in front of them on the shoulder to turn around and using no words they have to mime the thing they have thought of. When the person thinks they have got it they then tap the next person on the shoulder to turn around and mime it.

This goes down the line to the last person who then has to guess what it is.



SOGGY PANCAKES

You need at least three players for this one.

One person, the volunteer, stands on the far side of the room and faces the wall, one of the other people says 'Soggy pancakes' in as strange a voice as possible. The volunteer needs to guess which person was saying it. If they are right that person then takes their turn to guess.



POOR PUPPY!

Take it in turns to pretend to be a puppy.

Approach the person or people who are playing the puppy. Try to make them laugh - the only words that you can say are "Poor puppy!"



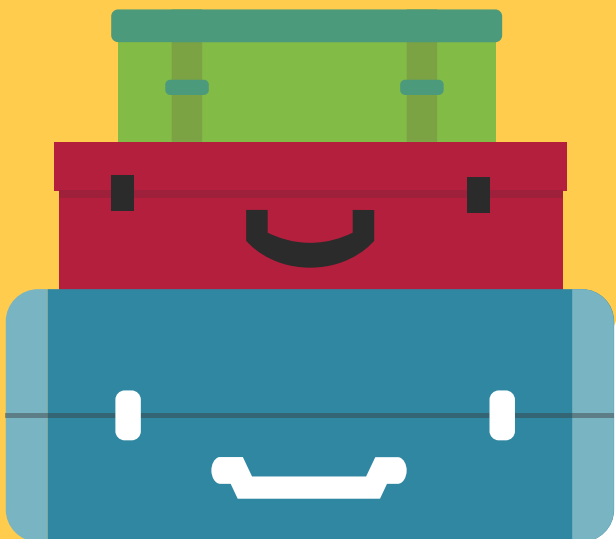
PACK A BAG

This one could be played on your own, with your toys or with other people.

Imagine you have got somewhere to go and you are excited about going there, it could be somewhere local, like the park, or a bit further away like the beach or maybe even somewhere amazing like the moon!

What would you want to pack to go there? Get a bag or suitcase and pretend to pack all the things you would take with you.

Now pretend to go on that journey, who would you meet on the way? A bus driver perhaps or an astronaut – could someone else pretend to be those people? Or perhaps one of your toys could do it! Enjoy your trip!



CATTY CHAT

This could be played with two or more people but if you are playing on your own you could play with one of your cuddly toys.

Practice making catty noises, meows and purring. Then with the other person have a catty chat about what you want for breakfast – remember you are only allowed to meow and purr.

What else could you have a chat about?
Your favourite games? Your school work? Had enough of being cats? Why not play it again as if you were dogs?



YES AND STORY

This one would be great for children and grown-ups to play together.

You are about to create a brand new story! First pick an object within the room, e.g. Book. Then chose any emotion, e.g. Happy. Now you have your stories title! Happy Book!

The story will begin with 'once upon a time there was a ... Happy Book'. Everyone playing takes it in turns turns to add to the story using the words 'Yes And' at the beginning of each sentence.

For example:

Once upon a time there was a Happy Book.

Yes and ... the book was happy because it lived in a beautiful library

Yes and ... the library was full of children everyday who loved to read

Yes and ... one day a little girl came to the library to chose a book to take home

Yes and ... she chose the Happy Book to take home etc

Once a full story has been created you can act it out, write it down, draw a picture of your favourite part etc.

BANANA SONG

Can you teach everyone you are with the banana song?
Don't forget the *actions*. This was the version that the children of Boutcher primary school liked!

Bananas of the world unite

(clasp hands above head)

Peel banana, peel peel banana

Peel banana, peel peel banana

(bring hands down to your side in a wavy motion)

Mash banana, mash mash banana

Mash banana, mash mash banana

(hands in front as if mashing a giant banana)

Eat banana, eat eat banana

Eat banana, eat eat banana

(as if putting banana in mouth)

Yum banana, yum yum banana

Yum banana, yum yum banana

(rubbing belly)

Go bananas, go go bananas

Go bananas, go go bananas

(wild dancing)

Bananas of the world unite

(clasp hands above head)

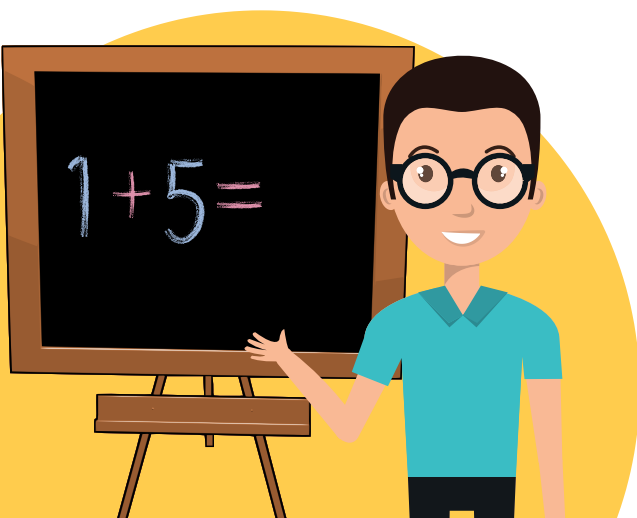


TOY SCHOOL

You get to be the teacher! Set up toy school with as many toys as you can get together.

What lessons will they have? What activities would they have to do at toy school?

Don't forget you will need to do the register, have playtime and lunch as well as doing lessons! You could ask other people in your house to join in, maybe they could be the Headteacher visiting your classroom!



More about Speech Bubbles

Speech Bubbles is creative intervention to support KS1 children with speech, language and communication Needs. It has been developed by Theatre Artists working with Speech and Language Therapists and schools. The approach encourages children to tell, act out and reflect on their own stories.

Go to speechbubbles.org.uk to find out more including our first booklet of 20 fun drama games to try at home.

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