

EYFS: Early Years Home Education Practice Pack

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18 playful early-learning worksheets for nursery and reception

Every prompt and passage is original. Choose a page that matches the learner's current confidence.

Use pencil and paper; encourage children to explain their thinking. A separate adult answer and guidance booklet is included.

E01 My name and pencil control

Early Years | Write, trace and draw.

Name: _____ Date: _____

1. Write your first name three times.

2. Draw a wavy line, a zigzag line and a spiral.

3. Circle your neatest name.

Challenge - Draw a small picture of something you like.

E02 Listening for first sounds

Early Years | Say each word aloud.

Name: _____ Date: _____

1. What sound starts *sun*?

2. What sound starts *map*?

3. What sound starts *fish*?

4. Write one word beginning with *b*.

Challenge - Draw an object beginning with *t*.

E03 Rhyming fun

Early Years | Say the pairs aloud.

Name: _____ Date: _____

1. Does *cat* rhyme with *hat*?

2. Does *sun* rhyme with *moon*?

3. Write or draw a word that rhymes with *log*.

4. Write or draw a word that rhymes with *bee*.

Challenge - Make a silly rhyming pair of your own.

E04 CVC word builder

Early Years | Blend the sounds.

Name: _____ Date: _____

1. Sound buttons: c-a-t. Write the word.

2. Sound buttons: d-o-g. Write the word.

3. Sound buttons: s-u-n. Write the word.

4. Sound buttons: p-i-g. Write the word.

Challenge - Write a short sentence using one CVC word.

E05 Counting to 10

Early Years | Count carefully and record.

Name: _____ Date: _____

1. Draw 4 stars.

2. Write the numeral for six.

3. What number comes after 8?

4. What number comes before 5?

5. Count 1, 2, 3, 4, __, 6.

Challenge - Draw 10 dots in two groups.

E06 More and fewer

Early Years | Use words and numbers.

Name: _____ Date: _____

1. Which is more: 7 apples or 4 apples?

2. Which is fewer: 2 cars or 5 cars?

3. One more than 6 is ____.

4. One less than 9 is ____.

Challenge - Draw two groups: one with 3 objects and one with 8. Circle the greater group.

E07 Shapes around us

Early Years | Name and draw shapes.

Name: _____ Date: _____

1. Name a shape with 3 sides.

2. Name a shape with 4 equal sides.

3. Draw a circle.

4. Draw a rectangle.

Challenge - Find and draw one object shaped like a circle.

E08 Repeating patterns

Early Years | Continue each pattern.

Name: _____ Date: _____

1. Continue: red, blue, red, blue, __, __.

2. Continue: clap, stamp, clap, stamp, __, __.

3. Make a pattern with three different shapes.

Challenge - Explain your pattern to an adult.

E09 Comparing length

Early Years | Use *longer* and *shorter*.

Name: _____ Date: _____

1. Draw a longer line than this: _____.

2. Draw a shorter line than this: _____.

3. Which is longer: a pencil or an eraser?

4. Write one thing that is taller than you.

Challenge - Order three toys from shortest to tallest.

E10 Days and routines

Early Years | Think about your day.

Name: _____ Date: _____

1. What day comes after Monday?

2. What do you usually do first: put on shoes or go to bed?

3. Draw something you do in the morning.

4. Draw something you do at night.

Challenge - Tell an adult about one part of your routine.

E11 Feelings words

Early Years | Think about emotions.

Name: _____ Date: _____

1. Draw a face that looks happy.

2. Write or draw something that makes you excited.

3. Which word is a feeling: blue, jump or worried?

4. Write one kind thing you could say to a friend.

Challenge - Draw yourself helping someone.

E12 Story order

Early Years | Put events in order.

Name: _____ Date: _____

1. What comes first in a story: beginning, middle or end?

2. Write or draw a beginning for a story about a lost kite.

3. Write or draw what could happen next.

4. Write or draw an ending.

Challenge - Tell the story to an adult.

E13 Colour and sorting

Early Years | Sort and describe.

Name: _____ Date: _____

1. Write a colour you can see in a rainbow.

2. Name something that is green.

3. Circle the odd one out: apple, pear, banana, chair.

4. Draw two things that belong in a kitchen.

Challenge - Sort five small objects by colour or size.

E14 Positional language

Early Years | Use *in*, *on*, *under* and *behind*.

Name: _____ Date: _____

1. Draw a ball *in* a box.

2. Draw a cat *on* a mat.

3. Write: The shoes are ___ the bed. (under / purple)

4. Put a toy *behind* a chair and tell an adult where it is.

Challenge - Make a tiny treasure hunt using two position words.

E15 Nature detective

Early Years | Look closely outdoors or from a window.

Name: _____ Date: _____

1. Draw a leaf.

2. Write or draw one thing that can fly.

3. How many legs does a spider have?

4. Name one thing a plant needs.

Challenge - Make a collection of three safe natural objects.

E16 Sound and letter match

Early Years | Match the sound to the letter.

Name: _____ Date: _____

1. Write the first letter of *apple*.

2. Write the first letter of *moon*.

3. Write the first letter of *nest*.

4. Write the first letter of *rain*.

Challenge - Write or copy the alphabet letters you know.

E17 Number stories

Early Years | Draw to help.

Name: _____ Date: _____

1. There are 3 ducks. 2 more arrive. How many ducks?

2. You have 7 grapes and eat 1. How many left?

3. Draw 5 biscuits. Cross out 2. How many remain?

4. A ladybird has 4 spots. Draw 1 more spot. Total?

Challenge - Make a number story for $4 + 1$.

E18 My learning celebration

Early Years | Show what you know.

Name: _____ Date: _____

1. Write your favourite letter.

2. Write your favourite number to 10.

3. Draw a triangle and a circle.

4. Write or draw one thing you learned this week.

Challenge - Choose one page to do again and improve.
