

# Online activities for contact visits with pre-school aged children

#### **Treasure Hunts**

Flip the screen of the phone or webcam to show a display of your home and:

- ask your child to fetch and show you things of a certain colour, eg a red apple, a green tea-towel, a brown chair
- Show your child an object on the screen for example a teddy bear.
  Then ask them to close their eyes and count to 20 while you hide the bear.
  Then walk around the room with your device and see if they can spot the bear

### **Show and Tell**

- Open up a Kinder Surprise Egg together
- Share a picture that you have drawn
- Show something that you have made to eat
- Ask your child to show you their favourite toys or something they have been playing with
- Have a bag of items from around your home and show them to your child and ask them if they can guess what the items are called, and what they are used for

# **Read a story**

- Pick your child's favourite book and read aloud, letting them follow along with the pictures.
- Ask questions about what can be seen in the pictures
- Count objects on the pages
- Point out objects of different colours
- Ask if your child can guess what will happen on the next page

#### You will need:

A copy of the same book for both parent and child

# **Sing and Dance**

Sing and dance to your favourite songs:

- Hokey Pokey
- Head, shoulders, knees and toes
- If you're happy and you know it

Search YouTube for some new songs:

- The Wiggles
- The Singing Walrus
- The Kiboomers





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### **Count With Me Game**

Together, collect 10 - 20 items such as pegs, bottle tops, spoons etc and then count them out from one container into another.

Encourage your child to count with you.

## **Build Models Together**

Let your child create any model and you try to copy it.

Each make something different and show each other your creations.

#### You will need:

- construction toys such as Duplo, Lego, blocks
- pipe cleaners
- a basket of washing line pegs

#### **Get Creative**

Gather some craft supplies and make pictures to show each other.

Ask your child to suggest something they would like you to create.

Try to both make the same creation.

Pinterest has lots of ideas.



## **Making Noise Together**

Have a selection of noise making objects, such as rice in a bottle, two spoons tapping together, or clapping your hands.

Use these to accompany songs or take it in turns to make some noise together.

