

# A Summer Reading Challenge Supportive Resource

Created by Swindon Stories in consultation with Swindon SEND Families Voice

## SWINDON STORIES



Welcome and well done for signing up to the Reading Agency's Summer Reading Challenge. This resource sheet offers a range of ideas for sharing stories that you can count towards your Challenge. You have a whole summer to try just six of the fun and creative ideas below.

You might like to talk about the activities, or share with a friend or family member in some other way – the choice is completely yours. You can also choose to do any amount of reading, from any genre of book, magazine, comic or jokebook.

Your Summer Reading Challenge Folder has space for you to write about your activities if you like.

TELL SOMEONE A JOKE

DRAW/PAINT/PLAYDOUGH MODEL A CHARACTER OR SCENE FROM A STORY

SING A SONG WITH SOMEONE IN YOUR FAMILY

SIGNED STORYTIME  
Type 'BSL signed stories' into YouTube and choose a story.

READ A POEM WITH FRIEND, PARENT OR CARER  
You could even read it to your favourite teddy or toy!

CREATE A SHORT COMIC STRIP

HOME OR FIRST LANGUAGE STORY  
Choose any of the ideas on this page and speak in your home language.  
Can you say 'hello, how are you?' to someone in your home language?

LOOK AT FAMILY PHOTOS TOGETHER

SMELL TIME  
Close your eyes and ask someone in your family to let you smell things. What do the smells make you think of?

SENSORY STORY TIME  
*Example - Jack and the Beanstalk*

- Moo like a cow
- Make a bean shaker or place beans in a tray and feel them
- Throw a ball (like the mum throws the beans)
- Pretend to climb the beanstalk
- Cluck like a chicken
- Feel some eggs. Ask each other: would a golden egg feel the same?

BUILD A DEN FOR YOU AND YOUR TEDDIES AND TELL THEM A STORY

ACT OUT A SCENE FROM A BOOK, FILM OR TV SHOW

LISTEN TO AN AUDIO BOOK

[mencap.org.uk/blog/create-your-own-sensory-story-7-steps](http://mencap.org.uk/blog/create-your-own-sensory-story-7-steps)



Summer Reading Challenge 2022

## GADGETEERS

Presented by The Reading Agency.  
Delivered in partnership with libraries.

Swindon Libraries & Information Service