# Home Learning Support Counts 

## Year 1

At Literacy Counts, we have put together materials to support parents and teachers to continue learning at home. We are committed to supporting and helping you in the event of longer-term closures. Look out for weekly emails and support documents with some exciting activities to support your children from Reception all the way through to Year 6.


## The Literacy Counts team

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## Home Learning Timetable Counts

|  | Before 9am | 9.00-10.00 | 10.00-11.00 | 11.00-12.00 | Lunch | 1.00-2.00 | 2.00-3.00 | Bedtime |
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| Monday | your teeth and |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
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| Wednesday | ssed, make your |  |  | nds, times table |  |  |  |  |
| Thursday Friday |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |

## A) Sentence Activity Counts Unfortunately Game

To make children's story writing more exciting, it is important for children to use different story language.

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Can you think of a sentence for this picture using unfortunately or suddenly?

## Unfortunately Suddenly

e.g. The witch could fly quickly, but unfortunately....

Think of $x 8$ different sentences using 'unfortunately' and 'suddenly'.

## The 'un' game

When we add 'un' to the beginning of words it changes the meaning of the word.
Grab a partner and take it in turns to choose one of the words from below. Add an 'un' to the word then make an action for it. E.g. pack would be unpack. You could act out unpacking your bag. Once your partner guesses your word, swap over.

| even | pack | kind |
| :---: | :---: | :---: |
| do | lock | zip |
| tie | cover | able |
| load | fold | like |
| lucky | hook | usual |
| true | happy | love |

Challenge: Can you write sentences using the words above and putting 'un' before them?

## Rhyming Activity

Rhyme is important and we can find it in lots of stories.

Create a rhyming string, thinking of as many words as you can that rhyme with the starting word.
e.g.píg - díg - wig

| cat | sun | frog | bin |
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## B) Reading Activity Counts

Book Review
Reread one of your favourite books at home and then write a book review.

## Name of the book Author

 What is the book about?
## What's your favourite part?

Who would you recommend this book to?

## Picture Talk: Build the noun

Choose a picture from your favourite book. Look closely - what can you see? Take it in turns with a family member to spot things in the picture (e.g. chair, typewriter etc). The person that spots the most wins.

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## Build the noun

What can you see: boots
Describe: old and brown

## Say: I can see an old brown pair of boots.

Challenge: Joint two ideas with the jointing word 'and'.
I can see an old brown pair of boots and a dusty pile of books.

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## Silly Stories

It is important for children to practise making up stories.
Can you make up a story with a friend or grown up by only saying one word each at a time? Take it in turns saying a word that leads on from your partner. The stories are sometimes a little silly but quick and fun.

## One day there was a little sausage called Bertie who lived in a shoe.

You can use the words below to help you join your ideas. Don't forget these words help us tell stories and make up stories.


## C)Writing Activity Counts Writing a Silly Shopping List

Can you think up a silly shopping list? Start with writing a number and then make the description of the food start with the same letters. Think about a shopping list for a witch.

One wiggly worm<br>Two troll's toenails

Three snail shells
What would the following characters have on their shopping list?

- A terrible tiger
- A greedy crocodile
- A friendly unicorn
- Your favourite sports star
- A superhero
- The Gruffalo
- Rapunzel
- Your best friend


## Wanted Poster

Think of your favourite villain or naughty character from a story you know. What makes them bad? What do they look like? What do they wear? How big are they? What are they known for doing? Now, make a wanted poster from them warning people about them.

## WANTED

Have you seen an evil grey wolf? He has soft fur with short pointy ears. His teeth are white and sharp. He lives in the woods and he like to eat little pigs. Beware!


## Reward: £50

Stick them up around your house!

## Instructions

Write your own set of instructions at home. Choose a title from one of the ideas below or think of your own.

- How to catch a giant
- How to be a good friend
- How to trap a monster
- How to make friends with a unicorn

To write a good set of instructions, you need to include the following:

## First

## Second <br> Next <br> Then <br> After that <br> Finally

Remember to be bossy and tell people what exactly to do!
Bossy words may include:

trap, cut, entice, grab, chop, wait, catch

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## D) Spelling Activity Counts

Year 1 Common Exception Words
Common Exception words are words that do not follow the rules of phonetic spelling. These words are used frequently by children so that's why they are called common. Children in year 1 need to be able to read and spell most of these.

| Word | R | w | Word | R | w | Word | R | W |
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| said |  |  | she |  |  | ask |  |  |
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| are |  |  | no |  |  | school |  |  |
| were |  |  | go |  |  | put |  |  |
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| his |  |  | my |  |  | full |  |  |
| has |  |  | here |  |  | house |  |  |
| I |  |  | there |  |  | our |  |  |

## Common Exception Words Activity

Can you guess the common exception word by filling in the missing letters?
c_m
p_t
sh_
$s_{-} d$
$S_{-} S$
h_s
th _ Y
a s
S

S


I__e
_ ne
w_s
$t \_d$ _ $y$
__use
y 0 _ -
fr__n_
_ 0 me
h e
_ -

## Word search

Can you make your own word search using the common exception words you find tricky to read. Write 5-10 words in the grid below, making sure you spell them correctly. Then fill in the remaining spaces with other letters. Don't forget to write a list at the bottom of words that you have used.
Why not challenge a grown up to find them?
Challenge: Make a list of words to hide that are about your favourite character from a book, game or hobby.


## More than one

When we need to write something that is more than one we sometimes add 's' or 'es' e.g. Pencils or churches

- Add 'es' if the word ends with ch, $x, s, s h, z$

| frog | fox | witch | dog |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| buzz | bush | tree | bus |
| bag | fence | car | switch |

Can you write words in the table?

| Add 's' | Add 'es' |
| :--- | :--- |
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Now say some in complete sentences and write them out.


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