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 Home Learning Literacy Activities Week 1

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| I can listen* Go on a sound walk
* Ask your child the question, what can you hear?
* Take a pencil and paper and record what you hear by drawing pictures or writing the words.
* Not only is a sound walk fun, but it also allows children to become more aware of the world around them and heighten their sensory awareness- so they are learning and developing as they play!
 | I can listen* What’s in the bag?
* Put some small toys in a small cloth bag eg;toy animals, a cup, toy car.
* Turn the bag while singing, “Turn, turn, and turn around…put my hand in, what have I found?
* Put your hand inside and chose something
* Holding the item in the bag, describe the item
* Use one description at a time, so your child can build an image in their mind
* Playing the games provides the opportunity to develop listening skills
 | I can listen* Ready, Steady, Pop
* You will need-bubbles
* Blow some bubbles and ask child to pop them
* Then try blowing the bubbles, but this time the child has to wait until you say, “ready, steady, POP”
* You could also try introducing another child where they take turns popping the bubbles
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| Mark Making* Go outdoors
* The natural world provides lots

 Of inspiration for mark-making with leaf and bark rubbing, flower pressing, sticks, rocks and creations using fir cones and seed pods.* Why not get some washable chalk and write on the ground?
 | Mark Making* Make play dough
* <https://www.bbcgoodfood.com/howto/guide/playdough-recipe>
* Rolling and kneading the dough is great to develop strength in finger muscles needed for holding and controlling writing implements
 | Mark Making* Mark Making doesn’t have to be using pens, pencils and brushes.
* Try….Your hands!, Sponge, Foil, cling film, greaseproof paper, Feathers, leaves, sticks, pipe cleaners, Cotton Wool String
* Pens, Pencils, Crayons
* Spatulas, Spoons, Forks, Whisk
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