



## Enforced School Closure Home Learning Project Ideas Year 1

### Our focus book is 'Jack and the Beanstalk'



Read the story of Jack and the Beanstalk. You can find the story as a PowerPoint in the resources.

Or you can watch a version here:

<https://learnenglishkids.britishcouncil.org/short-stories/jack-and-the-beanstalk> - there is also a sentence ordering game on here for you to put the story in the correct order.

You may even have the story at home already.

#### Writing

- Write your own book review for the story using these headings:

Title of the book.

What type of book is it? (fiction/non-fiction)

Did you enjoy the book?

What was your favourite part of the book?

How many stars would you give it?

Would you recommend this book to a friend?

- Make your own Jack and the beanstalk puppets and orally retell the story.
- Make your own Jack and the Beanstalk story book.
- Draw a picture of the Giant and write a character description for him! (Try to use conjunctions 'and' and 'because' and lots of adjectives!)
- If you could ask the characters in the story some questions, what would you ask? For example, I might ask Jack – Would you ever climb up a beanstalk again? (Don't forget to use a ? )

#### Reading and Comprehension

Discuss how it is a story so it is a **fiction** book.

Talk about how it is a traditional tale – it has been re-told for many years so lots of people know the story. There are also often slightly different versions of the story.

*\*If you have read different versions, you could compare the stories.*

#### Spellings/ Phonics

Look at all the alternative spellings for the 'ai' sound: **ai ay a\_e** etc

<https://www.phonicsplay.co.uk/aiAltSpellings.htm>

Can someone test you with some spellings to see if you use the correct 'ai' sound?

## Science

Become plant detectives!

- Go for a walk around your area and see what different plants you can spot all around you.

Can you name the plants? How many different plants can you find? Which ones are the tallest/smallest? How many stems are on a plant? Which are your favourite plants?

*Use the plant sheet in the resources to help identify some plants and their names.*

- Go on BBC Bitesize: <https://www.bbc.co.uk/bitesize/topics/zpxnyrd> Watch the videos and learn about what plants need to grow, a life cycle of a plant and what different parts of a plant are for.
- Sketch a plant using careful observations - What are the leaves like? How many stems does it have? What shape is the plant? What do the flowers look like?

Can you label your plant?

## Maths

- Complete the white rose activities:

<https://whiterosemaths.com/homelearning/year-1/>

- Draw your own castle only using 2d shapes.

### \*Challenge...

Jack has **4 equal groups** of magic beans.  
Show me/ draw **3 different** ways his groups could look.

The giant has **3 unequal groups** of golden eggs.  
Show me/ draw **3 different** ways these groups could look.

## Music

The harp is a musical instrument that belongs to the string family. Find out what the harp looks like and sounds like. What other instruments belong to the string family? Can you draw any of the instruments?

Useful links:

<https://www.bbc.co.uk/bitesize/clips/zf7fgk7>

<https://www.classicsforkids.com/music/instruments.php?family=String>



## PE

Play the 'beans' game.

Have someone call out different types of beans and you do the actions to match.

## RE

Having faith is having a strong trust or belief in something or someone. Christians believe that all things can be done through faith in God.

Jumping beans - jump  
String bean – stand and stretch as tall as you can  
Baked bean – curl up in a ball  
Beans on toast – lay flat on your back in star shape  
Jelly beans – wobble like jelly  
Runner beans – run as fast as you can on the spot  
Broad bean – make body as wide as possible

Can you think of your own beans to do actions to? What would you do for magic beans?

Watch the story David and Goliath  
<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=mQa-GseMSI4>

Tell someone what the story is about. Who did David have faith in?

Draw a picture of David and Goliath.

### Topic/ Art

Learn about the artist Vincent Van Gogh <https://www.bbc.co.uk/bitesize/clips/z4pvcdm>

- Write a fact file about Vincent Van Gogh
- Paint, draw or create your own Van Gogh Sunflower picture



Have fun and try your best!