

Learning at Home

Nursery

Fairytales



Physical Development

(PD)

- Cutting skills – cut out the puppets carefully.
- Can you pretend to be some of the characters from the story, 'Jack and the beanstalk,' e.g. the giant? What actions/movements do the characters make?
- Try picking up coins between your thumb and your finger.



Understanding the World

(UW)

- Learn about living things by growing your own bean like Jack.
- What does the beanstalk need to help it to grow?
- Measure the bean you've grown to see how tall it grows.
- What do you need to be healthy and strong?

Communication and Language

(CL)

- Can you tell an adult the story of Jack and the beanstalk? How did the story begin? What happened next? What happened at the end?
- Use the puppets to help you re-tell the story.



You could get all the family involved. Each family member could be a character and play a part. How exciting!

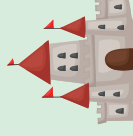
Personal Social Emotional Development (PSED)

- Talk to your child about what Jack did.
- Is it right to take things that belong to others?
 - How might the giant feel?

Expressive Arts & Design

(EAD)

- Use boxes and tubes from around the home to make a castle like the giants.



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Expressive Arts & Design

(EAD)

- Pretend to be a giant! Use the mask of the giant and pretend to be him. Can you use a deep gruff voice? Can you make giant footsteps? Can you say what the giant says?



Literacy

(L)

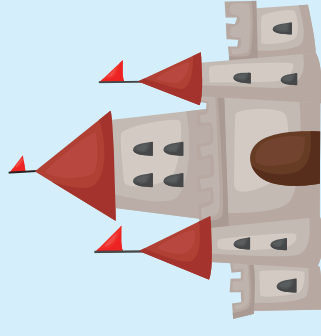
Watch/Read 'Jack and the beanstalk'.
Youtube: <https://youtu.be/zurz-pL-uzw>

Reading Challenges

- Why did Jack take the cow to market?
- Why did Jack's mummy need money?
- Why did Jack steal from the giant?
- How did Jack's mum feel at the end of the story?
- Why did she feel like that?

Writing Challenges

- Can you draw a picture of the giant's castle?
- Can you write your name on your drawing?



Mathematics

(M)

- Count the beans and say how many
- Measure the beans and compare which is the longest? Which is the shortest?



You could measure other things in the house and outdoors!

Which of the beanstalks is the tallest? Which is the shortest?

Cut them out and compare the size.



Grow Your Own Beanstalk

Spring is here! Daylight hours are getting longer, baby animals are about to be born, and flowers are ready to bloom in a rainbow of colors. Celebrate the transition from winter to spring by growing your own beanstalks indoors. Kids of all ages will love seeing the amazing transformation from dried bean to plant right before their eyes.

Materials

glass jar

cotton balls

water

dried beans

Instructions

Wet a large handful of cotton balls and place them in the glass jar. The cotton should be wet, but not dripping, and no water should pool in the glass.

Wedge dried beans between the cotton balls and the side of the jar. Use at least two beans so that if there is something wrong with one of them, the other will grow.

Make predictions about what will happen and observe your beans twice a day. Add a few drops of water to the cotton balls each day to keep them moist. You should start seeing changes after just a single day!



Next Steps

Leave your beanstalk in the glass jars to continue making observations, or transplant it into soil. (Use a pot and leave the beanstalk indoors if there is still a risk of frost outdoors where you live.) Do some research to find out whether the variety of bean you planted likes to grow on a trellis or along the ground. With proper care and a little bit of luck, your beanstalk will grow tall and might even reward you with a fresh crop of beans to enjoy!



How many beans can you see?

	How many?
