

ARTPLAY AT HOME



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Explore lots of ways to write stories



story 1

- Pick the first object that you see.
- Pretend it's alive.
- Give it a name.
- Give it something it always wished for.
- Why can't it have its wish?
- How will it try to get what it wishes for?
- Does that work?
- How does it feel now?

story 2

- Think of a really long, silly name (I like putting together nonsense syllables with real words, like: Mr. Bartlebootlefishflop).
- Give Mr. Bartlebootlefishflop a bad feeling (sad, scared, angry, lonely).
- What does Mr. Bartlebootlefishflop do about having that feeling?
- Does his action change how he feels?

story 3

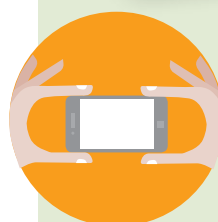
- Draw a picture of a person, animal or made-up creature.
- Now draw another, different one.
- Give them both names.
- How do they feel about each other?
- Write a story about them travelling a really long way.
- What happens while they are travelling?
- How do they feel when they get there?

You will need

- **Your imagination**
- **Objects from around your house**
- **Paper and pen or other writing / drawing devices**
- **For younger ones, a parent to write down your ideas**

Share your story

Illustrate your stories and read them aloud to your toys, pet, friend or family member.



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