

A B C

Storytelling game

Players: 1 or more

Age: 5+

Aim: Create a story as a team or as an individual

Skills Development: Listening, creative thinking, teamwork, quick thinking, confidence, adapting to ideas, processing information, memory.

How to play

Decide who goes first and in which order you will rotate. Usually the youngest goes first but this does not have to be the case.

The first person starts the story with a sentence starting with the letter **A** and then the second person adds to the story with the letter **B** and so on.

You must listen, and the story must flow and make narrative sense.

See if you can get to **Z**!

You can play this game anywhere, whilst out on a walk, in the garden or on the sofa

Just be creative and have fun!

Example

1 : **A**lex woke, and the sun was shining.

2 : **B**ut he didn't want to get up.

3 : "**C**ome on lazy bones" said mum.

1 : **D**ownstairs they were all eating breakfast

2 : **E**xcept for Alex who was still in bed

3 : **F**ried eggs, baked beans and bacon.

etc etc

In addition, you can look at different words or names, for example a story about **dinosaurs** using each letter.

Example

1 : **D**eep in the forest millions of years ago.

2 : **I**t was said that strange creatures lived.

3 : **N**obody had ever seen them because man did not exist.

1 : **O**scar the little baby dinosaur lived in the woods with mummy and daddy dinosaur.

2 : **S**adly, he was lonely.

3 : **A**nd very bored.

1 : **U**nder a stone he found an even smaller dinosaur who looked lonely.

2 : **R**ight away they became great friends and played together.

3 : **S**uch a special day thought Oscar!

Mix it up

If it is a short name or word, for example **dog**, each player adds to the story by using each letter

Example

1 : **D**own in the valley, the village was asleep.

2 : **D**ogs howled in the wind

3 : **D**anie was afraid because she couldn't sleep.

1 : **O**range flames flickered from the candle beside her bed.

2 : **O**n this night something didn't feel right thought Danie.

3 : **O**ften she would lay awake but tonight was different.

1 : "**G**ot to get to sleep" said Danie.

2 : **G**ently the door of her bedroom opened and in came Red her little dog.

3 : "**G**ood timing" said Danie as Red jumped onto the bed and snuggled in, they both fell asleep!