

# Expressive Arts and Design

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## Expressive arts and design: Creating with materials

ELG: Safely use and explore a variety of materials, tools and techniques, experimenting with colour, design, texture, form and function, share their creation , explaining the process they have used, make use of props and materials when role playing character in narratives and stories.

### FOUNDATION 1 - 3 & 4 year olds

| Advent                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                        | Lent                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                    | Pentecost                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                      |
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| <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Know how to sing some favourite songs.</li> <li>• To be able to sing a few familiar songs.</li> <li>• Know how to create sounds by banging, shaking, tapping or blowing.</li> <li>• Know how to show an interest in the way musical instruments sound.</li> <li>• Know how to create closed shapes with continuous lines, and begin to use these shapes to represent objects.</li> <li>• To be able to enjoy joining in with dancing and ring games.</li> <li>• Know how to experiment with blocks, colours and marks</li> <li>• Know how to explore colour and colour-mixing.</li> <li>• Know how to use various construction materials.</li> </ul> | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Know how to explore different materials freely, in order to develop their ideas about how to use them and what to make.</li> <li>• Know how to develop their own ideas and then decide which materials to use to express them.</li> <li>• Know how to draw with increasing complexity and detail, such as representing a face with a circle and including details.</li> <li>• Know how to use drawing to represent ideas like movement or loud noises.</li> <li>• Know how to play instruments with increasing control to express their feelings and ideas.</li> <li>• Know how to explore and learn how sounds can be changed.</li> <li>• Know how to begin to construct stacking blocks vertically and horizontally, making enclosures and creating spaces.</li> <li>• Know how to explore colour and how colours can be changed.</li> </ul> | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• To be able to begin to move rhythmically.</li> <li>• To be able to imitate movement in response to music.</li> <li>• To be able to tap out simple repeated rhythms.</li> <li>• Know that to be able to use lines to enclose a space and then begin to use these shapes to represent objects.</li> <li>• Know how to show interest in and describe the texture of things.</li> <li>• Know how to join construction pieces together to build and balance.</li> <li>• Know how to join different materials and explore different textures.</li> <li>• Know how to show different emotions in their drawings and paintings, like happiness, sadness, fear etc.</li> </ul> |

## FOUNDATION 2 - Reception

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## Expressive arts and design: Being imaginative and expressive

ELG: Invent, adapt and recount narratives and stories with peers and their teacher, sing a range of well know nursery rhymes and songs, perform songs, rhymes poems and stories with others and (when appropriate) try to move in time with music.

### FOUNDATION 1 - 3 & 4 year olds

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| <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Know how to begin to use representation to communicate, e.g. drawing a line and saying 'That's me.'</li> <li>• Know how to make-believe by pretending (starting to)</li> <li>• Know how to take part in simple pretend play, using an object to represent something else even though they are not similar.</li> </ul> | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Know how to listen with increased attention to sounds.</li> <li>• Know how to respond to what they have heard, expressing their thoughts and feelings.</li> <li>• Know how to remember and sing entire songs.</li> <li>• Know how to sing the melodic shape (moving melody, such as up and down, down and up) of familiar songs.</li> <li>• Know how to notice what adults do, imitate what is observed and then do it spontaneously when the adult is not there.</li> <li>• Know how to engage in imaginative role-play based on own first-hand experiences.</li> </ul> | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Know how to develop preferences for forms of expression.</li> <li>• Know how to use movement to express feelings.</li> <li>• Know how to create movement in response to music.</li> <li>• Know how to sing to myself and makes up simple songs.</li> <li>• Know how to sing the pitch of a tone sung by another person ('pitch match').</li> <li>• Know how to create their own songs, or improvise a song around one they know.</li> <li>• Know how to make imaginative and complex 'small worlds' with blocks and construction kits, such as a city with different buildings and a park.</li> <li>• Know how to develop complex stories using small world equipment like animal sets, dolls and dolls houses etc. (starting to)</li> </ul> |

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- Know how to develop storylines in their pretend play.
- Know how to build stories around toys, e.g. farm animals needing rescue from an armchair 'cliff'.
- Know how to use available resources to create props to support role-play.

- Know how to explore and engage in music making and dance, performing solo or in groups.

- Sing a range of well-known nursery rhymes and songs;
- Perform songs, rhymes, poems and stories with others, and –when appropriate –try to move in time with music.