

Enabling Environments - Independent Challenges Ideas to enhance / Provocations in Continuous Provision

Personal, Social and Emotional Development

Talk about jealousy — What does it mean? Have you ever felt jealous? Talk about that and understand it is OK to feel like that.

Talk about working hard to learn new things. What can you do, what do you want to learn?

Language and Communication

Make a mini spider world with mini furniture and plastic spiders.



Tuff tray with webs using masking tape and fishing rods and magnets.

Practise eating a sandwich or fruit with a knife and fork.

Physical Development

Playing football, learning the rules!

Chopsticks/tweezers and toy flies - practise picking up.

Play cups and saucers in teams — in 2 teams — 1 team has to turn the 'cups' (football training cone) up and the other team have to turn the 'saucers' down and the winning team is the most at the end.

Trying on football kits and boots with laces.

Black playdough with loose parts.

Literacy

Read fact books about spiders.

Write a wish on a special piece of paper for display.

Receive a letter from Spinderella who is lost, can you help her find her way home?

Draw a map of your class or setting for Spinderella to get around.

Labelling spiders and other minibeasts.

Focus/Theme:

Spinderella

Ideas from Children/Interests/What has happened before?

What Next?

Expressive Art and Design

Lots of resources to make spiders, pipe cleaners, paper plates, googly eyes, old tights, newspaper.



Dressing up as spiders - making costumes.

Mathematical Development

Counting spiders up to 20 and spider legs. Throw them into sticky webs and see how many stick - use mathematical language for more and less; lots, loads, less, few.

Kicking balls into goals - keeping score of goals.

Counting wellies, counting in 2s, how many do you need for everyone?

Get into teams and count how many are in each team. How can you make the teams fair? Can you sort spiders into teams? How many boots would you need?

Understanding the World

Go on a spider hunt — make a bug hotel.

What can you find out about spiders online?

See if someone can bring a pet tarantula in to show everyone.