

Back to Earth with a Bump Day and Night Game

Activity Guide

You will need:

- Day and Night Sorting Game
- Toy or object

The Activity

- Print and cut out the Day and Night Sorting Game resources.
- Seat the children in a circle, ensuring there is plenty of room in the center.
- Talk with the children about day and night and ask the children for suggestions. What do they do during the day and what might they see? What do they do during the night and what might they see?
- Spread the sorting cards out in the center of the circle, facing downwards.
- Show the children the day and night picture cards and display them.
- Teach the children the following song, using the backing track if you wish to:

(Sing to the tune of 'London Bridge'.)

Now, the Sun is in the sky.

In the sky.

In the sky.

Now, the Moon is in the sky.

What's the time now?

- Allow the children to pass a toy or object around the circle as the song is being sung. When the song stops, the child that is holding the toy can pick a card from the circle.
- With support, the child reads and answers the card.
- If the child answers 'day', then all of the children stand up and jog on the spot.
- If the child answers 'night', then all of the children pretend to go to sleep.
- The child then sticks the card onto the correct picture card with sticky tack.
- If the toy stops at a child that has previously had a turn, they can pass it on to the next child in the circle that hasn't had a turn.
- Play continues until all of the children have had a turn or all of the cards have been selected.