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WHERE THE MAGIC LIVES

Hello and welcome to Adventure Island!

It's great to have your company for May as it's one of my favourite months of the year. Spring is well and truly alive now and the migratory birds are beginning to return to us here in the UK. I love watching the housemartins skimming through the air as they chase insects and it's great to see them build their homes once more under the eaves of the houses.

Bonnie and Eppie are oblivious of course. They're both far too busy with their adventures on Adventure Island, chasing squirrels and sniffing around for new smells in the undergrowth. They sometimes listen out for Brahms the Robin but most of the time, they are just happy being dogs in the Spring sunlight.

On our journeys we've been chatting about all kinds of things. This is what we call Happy Talk, just idle chit-chat, making up rhymes, singing songs and inventing nonsense words. Eppie created a nonsense phrase 'diddley diddley dumpkin' and every time she says it, Bonnie and I have to stand still until she unfreezes us by saying 'mashed potato, peas and chips'. Why not have a go and make up your own freezing phrases? It can be good fun and just adds a little warmth to life - family together in the playground of language. Just don't forget to think up the unfreezing phrase otherwise you'll have to stay stuck forever! Imagine!

Happy May everyone, let the adventures roll on...

"Joy is not made to be a crumb..."

Mary OLIVER





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ADVENTURE ISLAND AWAITS!!

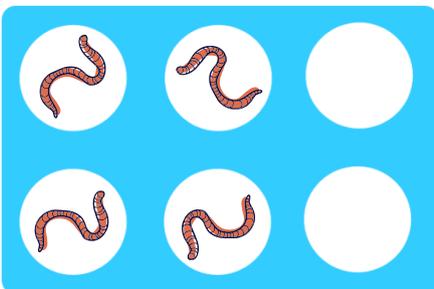
A WORLD INSIDE THIS WORLD...

Adventure Island is right in front of you. Once you see it, then it can always be there for you. Everyone belongs on Adventure Island along with every story and their characters. It's a landscape where the magic of children meets the magic of story - it's time to step in and adventure...



HELLO FROM SCRUFF!

Hi! I'm Scruff. I'm the blackbird that you see at the start of Adventure Island TV as the Gang go through the Magic Mustard Tin into the Adventure Island. This month, I'm trying to find six wiggly worms for my tea. What can you spot?



Can you spot if Scruff has enough worms? I wonder how many more he might need to make 6? And I wonder if birds like eating worms? Eppie definitely wouldn't want to try one!!





ADVENTURE ISLAND AUDIO

If you'd like to add to the adventures and listen to Greg sing the rhymes and tell the story from this issue, then why not scan the QR code below or enter the link into your search engine. It'll open the door to The Great Big Story Cupboard - see you there!!

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Why not sing or hum along with Greg and Scruff?
Whatever you chose to do, enjoy the magic!

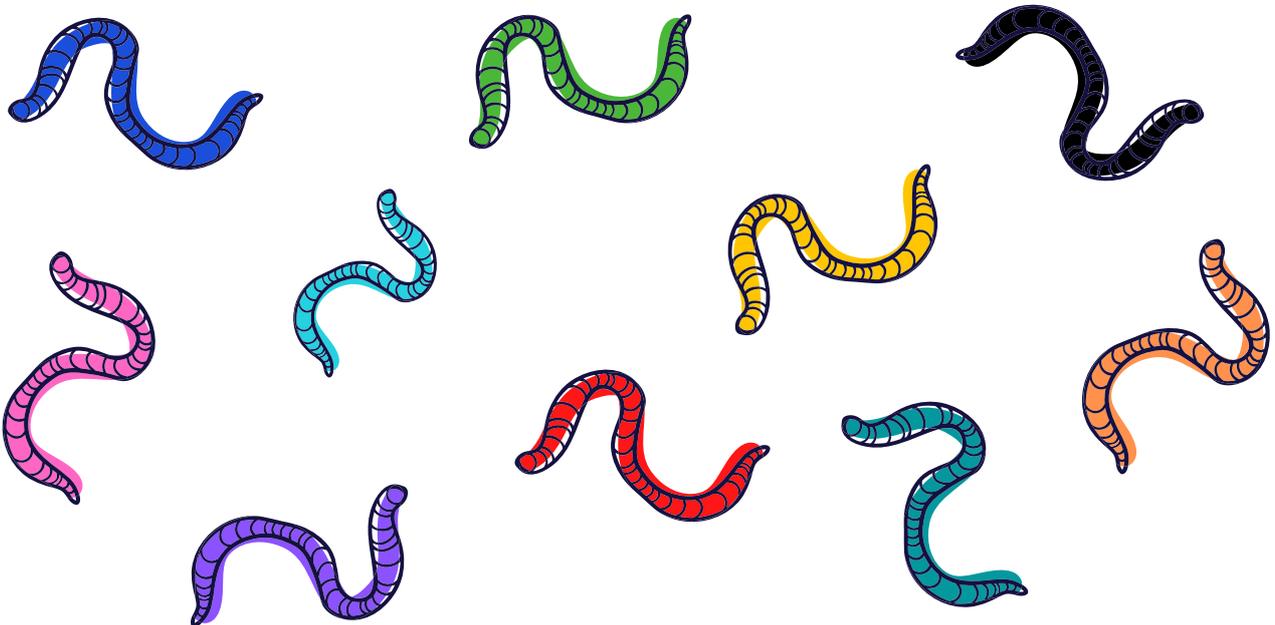




A BIG HELLO FROM GREG!!

Oh no! Scruff found way too many worms and now he's dropped them all on the Poggle Patch. Can you help Greg pick them up in his Wiggly Worm Hoover-Upper? It will only pick them up in the right colour order - let's see if we can sort it!

1 2 3 4 5 6 7 8 9 10



Yes! We did it! Now to put the lid on so we can safely return the worms back home. We'll need to say the passcode so the lid stays on tight. We don't want the worms dropping out! Let's read together:

red fox in a box

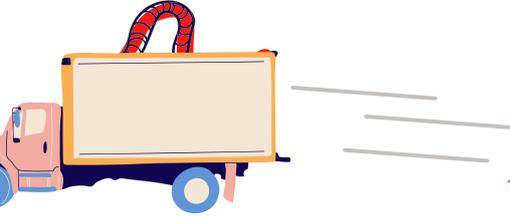
I wonder whether you could make your own Wiggly Worm Hoover-Upper? Bonnie thinks it might switch on if you say 'pancakes' - what passcode will you choose?





WONDER WORM

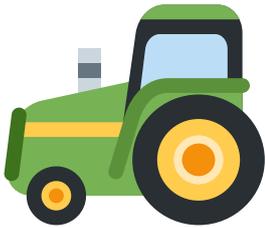
One of the worms escaped! It's heading over the hill and down the lane - quick everyone chase after it!



**"RUN, RUN AS FAST AS YOU CAN
YOU CAN'T CATCH ME,
I'M IN THE WONDER WORM VAN!"**

I'll chase Wonder Worm in my car. Which vehicle will you choose? Take a look below and find the one you want to ride in - don't forget to count backwards from 10 to zero to start its engine!!

CHUG CHUG!



**CLATTER
CLATTER!**



TRUNDLE!



BRUM!



**BEEP
BEEP!**



WOO WOOL!

PUT PUT!



DUD DUD DUD!



NEE NAW!

WOOSH!



VROOM!



NEE NAR!



Why not say the sounds to see if you can match them with each vehicle - it's all about Happy Talk!



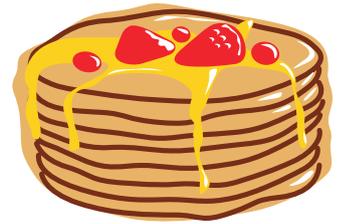
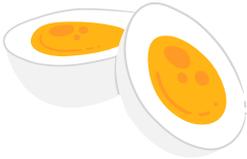


THE SINGING SAUCEPAN

While we chase after Wonder Worm let's sing a song!

Pickled Eggs and Pancakes

Pickled eggs and pancakes
Running down the lane
Jumping over puddles
And dancing in the rain.



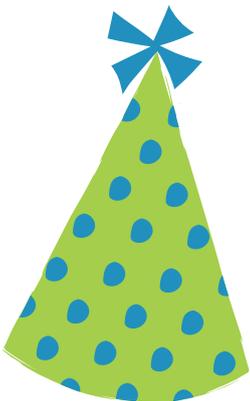
I said hello to this way
I said hello to that
I said hello to little dogs
And a sleepy cat.



Pickled eggs and pancakes
Eat them in your bed
And if you find the Dancing Hat
Then pop it on your head.



I said hello to this way
I said hello to that
I said hello to little dogs
And a sleepy cat.



Pickled eggs and pancakes
Put them on your feet
And when you hear the music
Go dancing down the street.



I said hello to this way
I said hello to that
I said hello to little dogs
And a sleepy... mouse.

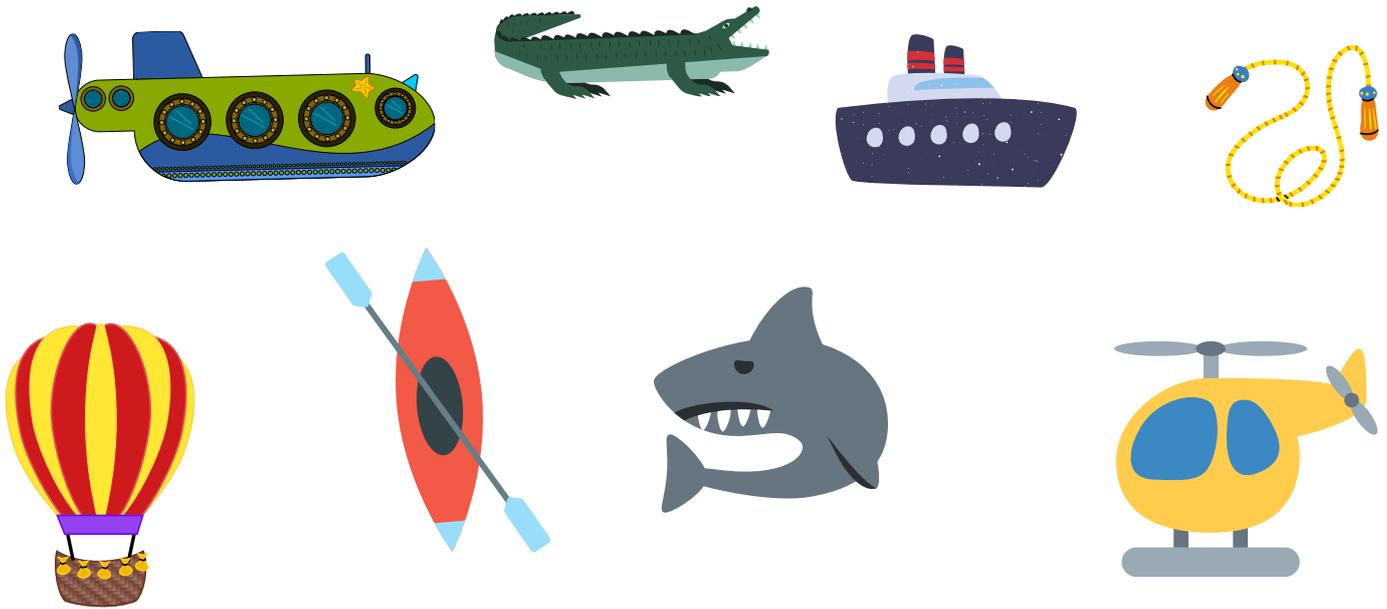




WATCH OUT WONDER WORM!

Wonder Worm has come to a deep cold river and there's no way across! We'll definitely catch him now!

Hang on, what's this?! Wonder Worm has found a box on the river bank and in it are lots of ways to get over to the other side...



Hmmm, there are two things in that box which I don't think Wonder Worm should use to get across! Can you spot them?

Look out, Wonder Worm!!! Quick into the hot air balloon! He'll need the passcode to float out of harm's way. Can we read it together?

plip plop flip flop

Hurray! The hot air balloon has taken off and is floating up high in the clouds. But how we will get him back down so that we can get him safely home? Can you think of a way to do it?!





FLOATING AWAY WITH WONDER WORM

It looks like Wonder Worm is going on an adventure into Cloud Kingdom! I can hear him singing as he goes. If you listen very carefully, you might hear his song.

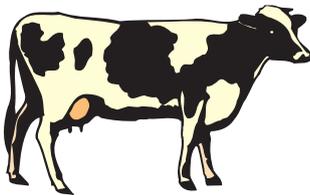
Maybe next time you're out and about you might like to look for him in his hot air balloon and perhaps you could sing his song to him to keep him happy all the way up there in the clouds!

I'm A Worm...



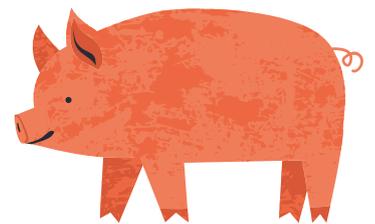
I'm a cat (miaow, miaow)
I'm a cat (miaow, miaow)
I do a little jig
I'm a cat (miaow, miaow)

I'm a dog (woof, woof)
I'm a dog (woof, woof)
I do a little jig
I'm a dog (woof, woof)



I'm a cow (moo, moo)
I'm a cow (moo, moo)
I do a little jig
I'm a cow (moo, moo)

I'm a pig (oink, oink)
I'm a pig (oink, oink)
I do a little jig
I'm a pig (oink, oink)



Way up in the air
High up in the sky
What can you see
With your beady eye?

I'm a worm (squirm, squirm)
I'm a worm (squirm, squirm)
I do a little jig
I'm a worm (squirm, squirm)





STORY DREAMING...

Now that Wonder Worm has floated off and away, perhaps it's time to join Brahms the Robin and Thimble the Christmas Mouse for some story dreaming about the deep cold river that he was trying to get across.



Here we go!

a deep cold river and a long green crocodile



Can you see a deep cold river in your mind? I can.

My river is wide and the water is moving very slowly. I can see sticks floating along on the surface, bobbing up and down. And I can see a duck swimming. Can you see the duck in your mind? Oh and I can see another one - that's two now!

I can see something else floating along in the river. It is long, green and scaly. It's also got two yellow eyes that are staring at me. It's a crocodile! Can you see the crocodile, all green and scaly with its beady yellow eyes blinking? It's opening its mouth really wide. I can see its teeth - they are white and there are lots of them!

Here it goes.... SNAP, SNAP, SNAP. Can you hear the crocodile's jaws snapping together? Its tail is moving from side to side. It wants food!

At my feet I can see a red lunch box. Can you? Let's open it. Yes! Inside there's a cheese sandwich. The cheese is yellow and grated. Let's throw the sandwich to the crocodile. Ready? 1,2,3! And SNAP!!! Let's throw another one. Ready? 1,2,3! And SNAP! In the bottom of the lunch box I can see a round chocolate biscuit. Can you? Let's take it out and 1,2,3... eat it!!!

Uh oh the crocodile wanted that chocolate biscuit and now it's heading this way!
RUNNNNNNN!!!

Parents - story dreaming is a way of exercising the 'muscle' of imagination. It isn't about 'can you do it', it is more about showing children that it is possible and that you can story dream about anything you wish and wherever you are.

Story dreaming shows children that story belongs to them and that we can be story dreamers together - give it a go. There's no right or wrong, your story can take you anywhere...





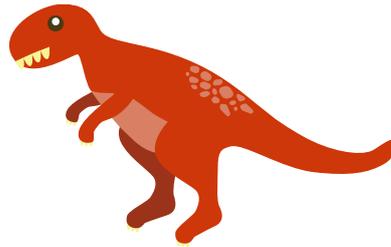
GUSTAVE AND THE DINKY DINOSAURS

On Adventure Island, if you listen very carefully, you'll hear the Dinky Dinosaurs. They are tiny dinosaurs that think they are bigger than they really are!

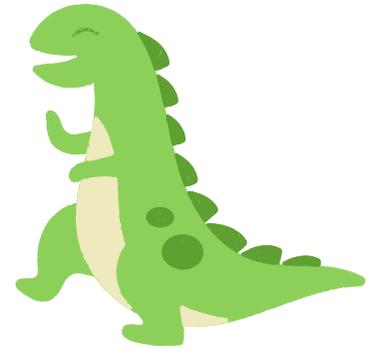
Let's meet them!!!



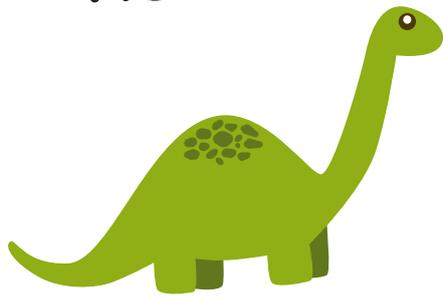
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Bunny



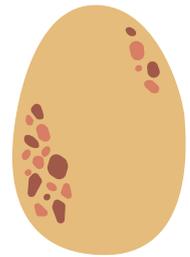
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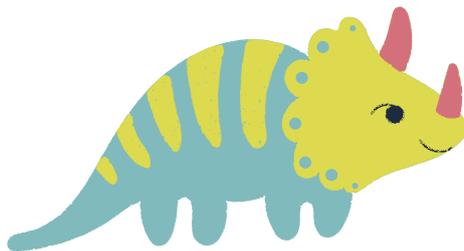
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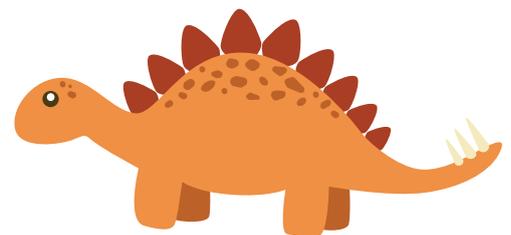
Billie



Egg



Spud



Waffle

While Billie was flying, he spotted something very odd - a worm in a hot air balloon! I wonder who that could be? Billie also spotted someone else rolling around on the ground below. Let's find out who it is...



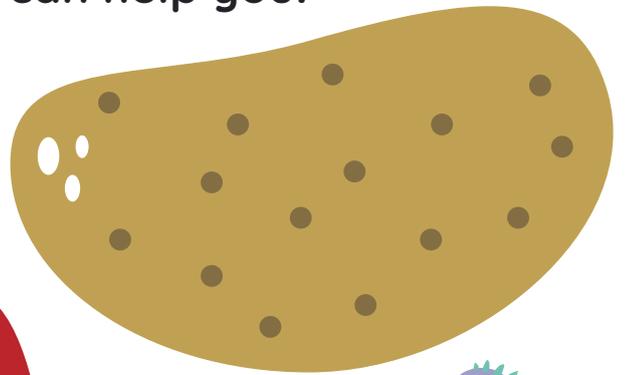


THE DINKY DINOSAURS AND TOBY JACK POTATO



It's Toby Jack Potato! He's rolling around and it looks like he's searching for something. What's that, Toby? You're looking for a numeral? The Dinky Dinosaurs can help you!

Toby Jack Potato is on the hunt for the numeral between 5 and 7. Can you spot it on one of the hills below?



What other numerals can you spot and how many hills are there altogether? Is there a matching numeral for the total of hills or will we need to write it somewhere for the Dinky Dinosaurs to find?

Yes it was on the pink hill! 6

Toby Jack Potato is super happy!
Thank you,
Dinky Dinosaurs!





THE TOBY JACK POTATO SONG

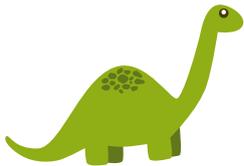
The Dinky Dinosaurs and Toby Jack Potato are having a dance to celebrate finding the numeral and this is the song they love to dance to!

Toby Jack Potato
Walking to the shop
Whistling a happy tune
He just can't stop.



Whistle over here
Whistle over there
Whistle like a kettle
Without a care.

Toby Jack Potato
Bouncing on the bed
Whistling a happy tune
From inside his head.



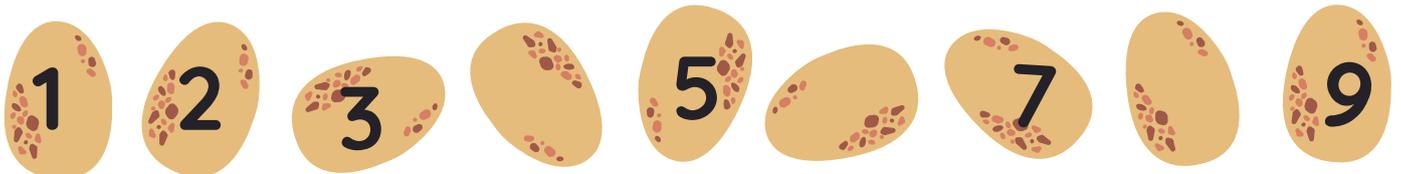
Whistle over here
Whistle over there
Whistle like a kettle
Without a care.



Toby Jack Potato
Riding on a goat
Whistling a happy tune
While sailing on a boat.



Whistle over here
Whistle over there
Whistle like a kettle
Without a care.



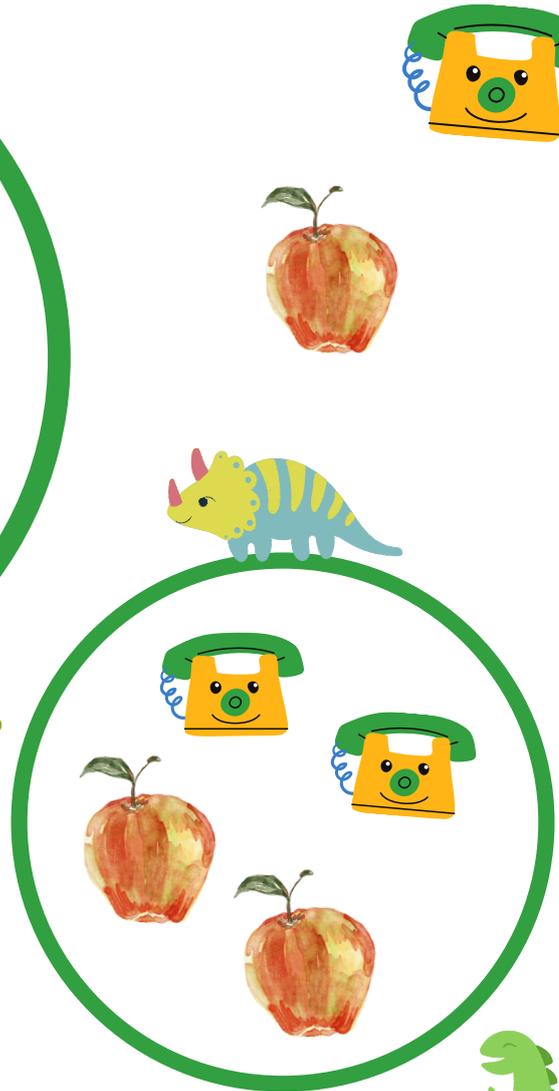
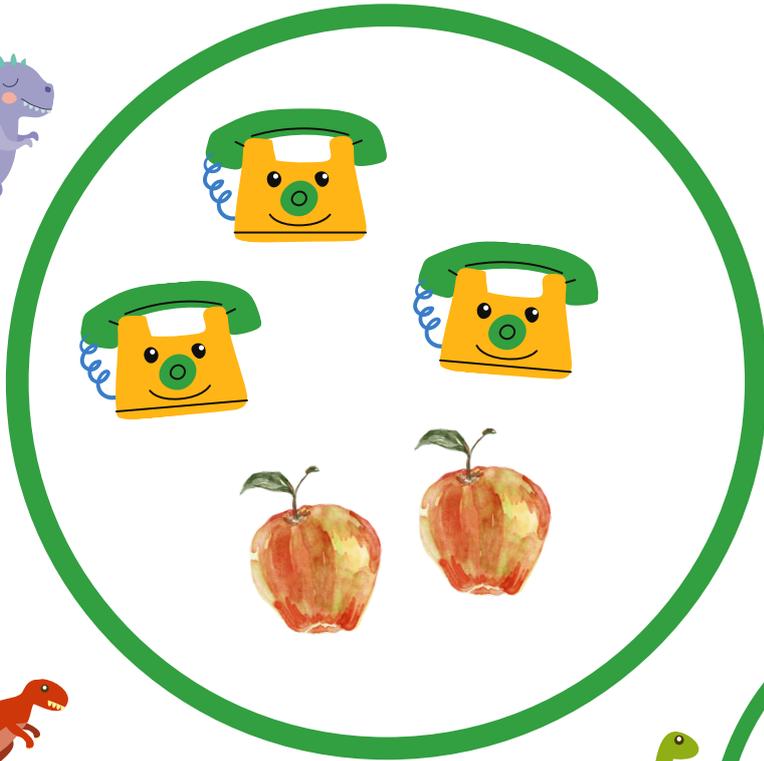
Whatever is inside Egg is whistling too although no one can hear it. It's whistling Humpty Dumpty - perhaps you can whistle or hum along too!





THE NUMBER POCKET

Have you got a Number Pocket? Toby Jack Potato has - he has two of them! He likes to pick things up off the floor and put them for safe keeping in his pocket. I wonder what he's got in his pocket today? Let's take a look. I wonder what we'll spot?



The Number Pocket is a chance to 'notice maths'. There's no question being asked other than 'what can you spot?' There's many things we might see together eg the total of apples, the difference size of the two circles (the pockets), the total number of phones...

It's about looking for maths rather than a specific answer.

Are all the apples in the pockets? What about all the phones? I wonder what would happen if we put them in and how many there would be altogether?!

I wonder what you've got in your Number Pocket right now?



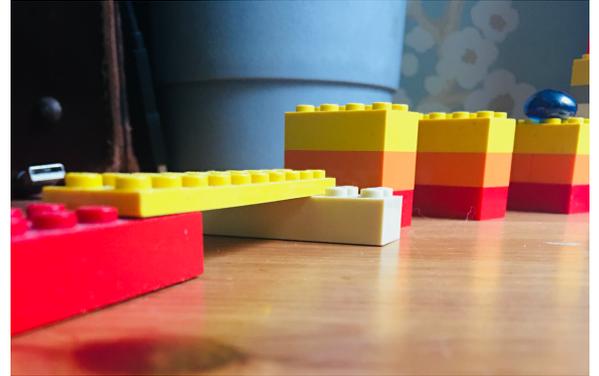
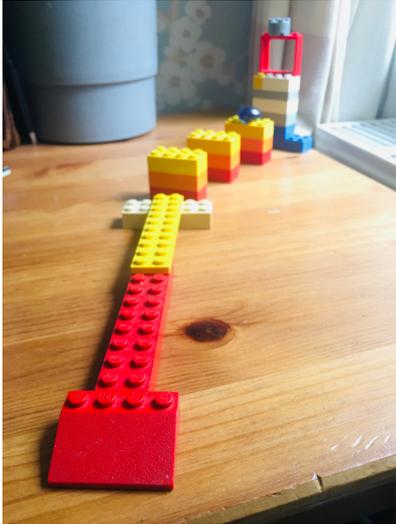


TITCH'S BUILDING CLUB



Welcome to Titch's Building Club!

Titch is a Moonpin who is the best builder on Adventure Island. If anyone wants something building then they always ask her to do it!



The Moonpins have asked Titch to make them a new game to play so Titch has built an obstacle course. The Moonpins have to walk up the ramp, across the bridge, then jump over the three hurdles, pick up the blue Moonstone and then throw it through the square at the end! It's harder than it looks!

What the Moonpins don't know is that there is something living under the bridge. I wonder who it can be? And I wonder what the passcode is to get across its bridge safely? I think it must be:

trip trap trip trap



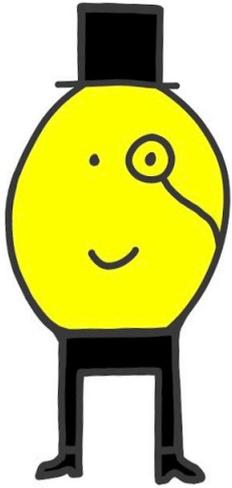
I wonder if you can build an obstacle course for the Moonpins? And I wonder if you can build a bigger one for you and your friends! Don't forget the passcodes!!





WHAT HAVE YOU HEARD, FRANK LEMONCURD?

Frank Lemoncurd has been listening extra carefully and he heard all of this:



a jumper being pulled over a head

a computer humming

a shop till ringing

an apple being chopped

a goat flying a plane

a twig snapping

a pig yodelling

a phone not ringing

What can you hear? What can you pretend to hear?

Listening like Frank Lemoncurd is a way to bring children's attention to the world. You can do lots of pretending while out and about - imagining what it might be that is making sounds. The main thing is to do it together and enjoy the warmth of listening.

What sounds can you hear in the kitchen?

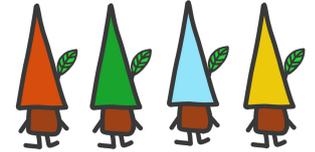




THE BOMBADILS

The Bombadils are the gardeners on Adventure Island and now that Spring is here, they've been really busy getting the plants and flowers ready!

The Bombadils want to water the flowers today but the tap won't turn on. They need the passcode to make it work - can we read it together?



cheese and jam and flip flops

Yes! The tap came on! Now the Bombadils need to catch the water in their watering cans. They have the numbers 1-10 on them but one is missing. I wonder if you can spot which one it is?



I wonder where the missing watering can might be?



Yes! 8 is missing!



THE WATERING SONG



The Bombadils found the missing watering can!

It's full to the brim with water and they won't be strong enough to carry it so they'll need our help. As we lend a hand, we can sprinkle the water over the flowers. Let's sing a Bombadil song while we do...



Hoodle Doodle Dandy
Daffodil Head
Rise and shine and get up
Out of your sleepy bed.



Hoodle Doodle Dandy
Daffodil Jam
Spread it on with butter
And add some cheese and ham.



Hoodle Doodle Dandy
Daffodil Hop
Hop along and make your way
To the compost shop.



Hoodle Doodle Dandy
Daffodil Do
Marmalade in your socks
And in your left shoe.



Hoodle Doodle up and down
Hoodle Doodle Day
So come on everybody
Let's go out to play...

Let's count backwards from 10 while we sprinkle the water too!

10 9 8 7 6 5 4 3 2 1 0





THE WHEELBARROW RACE



The Bombadils have decided to have a wheelbarrow race. They all line up at the top of Big Hill and then 1,2,3 sit in their wheelbarrows and come racing down. They mustn't touch the Stone of Doom as they go past it though. Can you spot it below? It has a word on it that rhymes with 'doom'...



plop

chat

boat

flip

dash

room

deep

pick

help

Yes! It's the red stone!
Go, Bombadils, go!!





THE MOONPIN RHYMING CLUB

The Moonpins like to play rhyming games and sometimes they come to Adventure Island and leave rhyming words to find. Eppie found these, but do they rhyme?



crash bash mash flash

yap tap nap lap

bin din fin shop

pop top flop bang

root toot loot boot

Remember - show, not tell. We are just sharing the joy without expectation of reading this words. The Moopin Rhyming Club is about rhyme. If you're child points to letters or wants to read the words then share that joy too. You might even like to make up your own!





ADVENTURE ISLAND PASSWORDS

Wonder Worm has left us some secret messages on Adventure Island. I wonder if we can read them together and I wonder if you know what the missing word is at the end of his rhyme?



get on a goose and go

"Wonder Worm is running away
Over the hill and gone
His little legs go round and round
As he sings this song.



Giddy giddy gumdrops
Giddy giddy glee

Giddy giddy giddy giddy goo
Salt and vinegar, fish and chips
And a pineapple in my _____"





THE MAGIC MUDLARKING BELL



Ding-a-ling, ding-a-ling,
ding-a-ling !! Oh my
goodness me, it's the Magic
Mudlarking Bell!

Whenever it rings three
times, something magical
appears. I wonder what we'll
find today?

1 2 3

Wow! It's a beautiful white feather! I wonder what kind of bird that's fallen off? Bonnie seems to think it's from Scruff but he has black feathers so it can't be him. Eppie thinks she knows and I have a feeling she's spot on. It's a feather from the Bing Bong Bird.

The Bing Bong Bird has a birdsong that sounds like a doorbell ringing. Bing Bong! Bing Bong! If we are really quiet, we might be able to hear it singing right now - shhh. Listen.

Bing Bong Birds like to make their nests high up at the top of the trees and they also like to play a trick on the other birds by singing loudly and making them think someone is at the door! Bing Bong, Bing Bong!

Eppie thinks the Bing Bong Bird feather is very beautiful and she's going to take it home and put it in her Squirrel Box, her little place where she keeps her found treasures. Do you like feathers just like Eppie does? Do you pick them up too? I wonder what bird dropped it? If it's white like this one then maybe the Bing Bong Bird left it for you as a gift!

Happy feather finding!!



BING BONG!



NUMBERS!!!

Each character on Adventure Island has a number that belongs to them! Here they are:

0 *Windy Dindy* *Imagine his mouth blowing away the Cloudigans*

1 *Grumpa* *There's only one Grumpa!*



2 *Bonnie and Eppie* *Two little dogs*

3 *The Bog Babies* *Picture them curled up inside the number!*



4 *The Poggle* *He takes messages to the 4 corners of the World*

5 *Smeech* *The capital S in Smeech echoes the number 5*





NUMBERS!!!

Each character on Adventure Island has a number that belongs to them! Here they are:

6 Noodle *Write the number 6 while saying "Noodle" - they fit perfectly!!*

7 The Tick Tocks *The number looks like clock hands and it fits when you write it too!*

8 The Badger Rabbit *Imagine the Badger Rabbit crawling through the two holes!!*

9 The Minpins *There are lots of Minpins so they need a big number!!*

10 The Moonpins *The 1 looks like a rocket and the 0 looks like the Moon :)*

Who has the smallest number?
Grumpa or Noodle?



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