

Home learning ideas for gifted, able and talented children

It is important to enrich your child's learning with a range of activities, no matter what their skill or talent.

- ? - Always ask a range of questions to challenge (why, when and how to extend thinking skills)
- Real life problem solving (using similar ideas to school TASC wheel) - e.g. my toys are all in a mess
 1. What do I know already to help me? The toys that are organized are in their boxes
 2. What is the problem? How can I organize my toys?
 3. How can I do it? Make a toy box
 4. What things do I need?
 5. Do it!
- Maths ideas - time problems, maths games, shopping lists and prices, role play with money
 - Websites - bbc bitesize (off school website)/
<http://durham.schooljotter.com/coxhoe/curriculum+Links/Numeracy>
- Literacy ideas - share a range of texts (non-fiction/fiction/comics/encyclopedias), visit the library, encourage your child to write a diary (with photos), create their own stories, search (safely with supervision) for information on safe search engines like kids.yahoo.com
- Science ideas - investigate your local surroundings, go on bug hunts, find answers to questions
- Talented at sport/dance - join an out of school club or school club

- Talented at art/DT - let your child have the freedom to explore a range of materials and time to plan and create their ideas
- Other ideas - join clubs like Beavers, Cubs, and Brownies, which enrich learning and encourage socializing.

Visit museums (some are still free at the moment), like The National History Museum/Science Museum in London and don't forget more local museums and galleries (City Museum in Winchester - good Roman and local exhibits), Southampton Art Gallery, Weald and Downland Open Air Museum (small charge) and Intech

Websites of interest:

<http://nrich.maths.org/> - good for maths

<http://www.nace.co.uk/> - gifted and talented organization