

**English**

We use **instructions** all the time. They can be recipes for making food, how to play a game, how to make something or safety information (e.g. how to cross the road). Below, there is a set of instructions for catching an alien, like the ones in the story "Aliens Love Underpants"? You can listen to the story here, if you like:

<https://www.bbc.co.uk/bitesize/topics/zvyc7nb/articles/zmgbv7>

Your first task is to look at the instructions below, and find these features:

- **A title (How to...)**
- **A list of what is needed**
- **The steps for what to do, in the right order**
- **Bullet points or numbers to make the steps clear**
- **Bossy verbs (mix, put, chop, wash, cut, stick, roll, paint)**

Can you colour the features in or underline them on the aliens instructions, using the colours in the boxes? (see below)

What instructions can you find at home? Do they have all of these features? Can you follow a set of instructions to make something?

If you would like to do more on instructions, there is a whole set of lessons on Oak Academy here: <https://classroom.thenational.academy/subjects-by-year/year-1/subjects/english>

How to Catch an Alien

Would you like to catch an alien? Use these instructions to help you.

You will need

- a pair of unused underpants
- a rope
- a stick
- a large cardboard box without a lid
- a fishing net

1. Make a small hole in the box near to the top.
2. Push the rope through the hole. Leave one end longer than the other.
3. Tie the rope in a knot.
4. Put the box outside.
5. Use the stick to prop up the box under the rope.
6. Place the pants underneath the box.
7. Pick up the other end of the rope.
8. Take your end of the rope and hide near to the pants.
9. Wait for the alien to come to get the pants.
10. Pull the rope hard to knock the box down on top of the alien.

Maths

Now, we will begin learning to tell the time when it is __ o' clock.

This YouTube video is a great introduction. It talks about o'clock and half past: <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=V32tRiEQ2AA>

For your first task, use a clock face (there is one below you could print and write the numbers on, or make your own) and get to know where the numbers are. Can you quickly say which number goes where? Make an hour hand and a minute hand. Practise using the hands to show the "o'clock" times. Remember that the short hand shows us the hour, and the long hand shows us how many minutes past the hour, or to the next hour. Practise writing the matching o'clock digital times, e.g. 03:00. (there needs to be 2 digits before the : even if it is 3 o'clock, it is shown as 03).



These are the animations you can use to practise:

<https://www.mathsisfun.com/time-clocks-analog-digital.html>

<https://www.visnos.com/demos/clock>

This game is good, too:

<https://mathsframe.co.uk/en/resources/resource/116/Telling%20the%20Time%20-%20interactive%20game>

Select "Read time to the hour" and "12 hour clock"

Theme

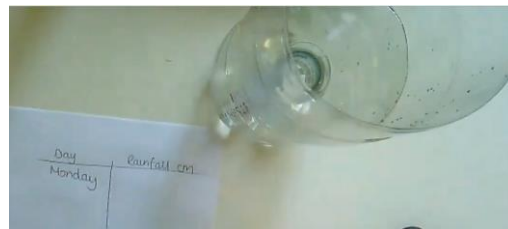
This week, you are going to explore how we can measure rainfall. Your task is to make a rain gauge to measure how much rain falls this week.

This is a full lesson about this, if you would like to use it:

<https://classroom.thenational.academy/lessons/how-can-you-measure-rainfall/>

Follow the instructions below to make a rain gauge.

Can you write down how much rain falls every day? Remember to use the days of the week words from last week to help with your recording. If there has been no rain, record 0 cm. You will need to empty your rain gauge each day after you have checked it, ready for the next day.

**PSHE**

Continue with your 'Spreading Your Wings' piece of work.

If you'd like to send it in once finished, we will try to pass it on to your new Year 2 teacher once we know who that is. If you can't email it to us, you could bring it with you to school when you come back. (infants@jrj.w-berks.sch.uk)

Complete the following sentences and put them into a booklet, poster, powerpoint etc. for your Year 2 teachers to see:

- **My favourite thing about school is...**
- **I enjoy learning about...**
- **I am good at...**
- **I would like to get better at...**
- **I would like to learn about...**



Add a picture of you with your friends and anything you'd like to see in your new classroom.

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⁴ use bullet points or numbers to separate steps

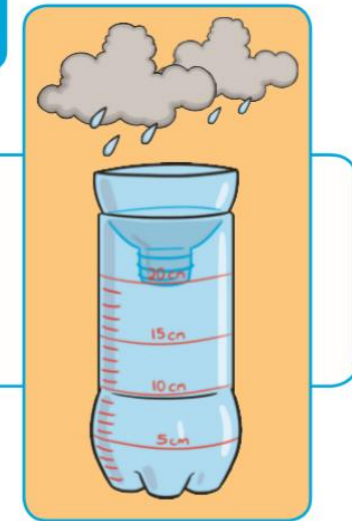
⁵ use bossy verbs

Theme

Simple Rain Gauge

You will need:

- Empty 2-litre plastic bottle
- 30cm ruler
- Marker pen
- Sharp scissors
- Sticky tape



Instructions

1. Holding the ruler against the plastic bottle, use a marker pen to draw a line on the bottle every centimetre. Make sure you mark on the number of centimetres, too! Do this until you reach 20 centimetres.
2. Carefully (and with an adult's help), use the scissors to pierce a hole in the bottle above the 20cm line.
3. Starting at this hole, cut all the way around the bottle until the top part comes off. Be careful! The plastic edges can be sharp.
4. Add some sticky tape over the rim of both parts of the bottle to protect your hands from the sharp edges.
5. Take the top of the bottle that you have just cut off and put it, upside down, in the top of the bottle.
6. Stand your bottle somewhere sturdy so it doesn't topple over and wait for a rainy day!

