DAY 1 Re-enacting stories

Key features

Stages

Additional opportunities

Introduction

Ask the children to recall the story of *Oliver's Vegetables* and write a list of the vegetables grown by Oliver's Grandpa on a large sheet of paper. Now display photocopiable page 26 'Oliver's vegetables' and tick the ones that the children have mentioned. Have they forgotten any?

Phonics: spina*ch*, *ch*ips, fini*sh*, lun*ch* **HFW:** can't, don't

Creative thinking:

applying imaginative ideas for drama

Communication:

working collaboratively

Speaking and listening

Explain that you would like the children to help you to re-enact the story of *Oliver's Vegetables*. Say that the words do not need to be exactly the same but should follow the main events. Tell them that remembering the days of the week and the order in which Oliver picked the vegetables might help with this. Put the children into groups of four and ask them to choose who will play the parts of Oliver, Mum, Grandpa and Gran. Provide plastic or papier-mâché model vegetables and days of the week cards. Ask the children to arrange them in sequence as they appear in the story, with a vegetable next to each card. Encourage children to use this sequence to structure their re-enactment, creating their own dialogue as they go.

Support: talk about the story sequence as they work

Extend: invent more extensive dialogue between the characters

Independent work

Ask children to consider how their characters will look and how their voices will sound. You could supply dressing-up clothes for them to get into role.

Plenary

Stages

Choose a group to re-enact the story and discuss how it could be developed.

DAY 2 Retelling stories

Introduction

Key features

Ask the children to recall times when someone has told them a story. What did they enjoy about the experience? Explain that you would like them to become storytellers, telling one another the story of *Oliver's Vegetables*.

opportunities

Additional

Phonics: best, last **HFW:** days of the week

Social skills:

listening to others and taking turns

Communication:

working collaboratively and sharing ideas as a whole group

Speaking and listening

Talk about the idea of retelling a story. Emphasise the important things the children need to remember, such as characters, settings and events. Write the days of the week on the board and read them together. Ask the children how remembering the order of the days will help them to retell the story. Put the children into pairs and provide each pair with an enlarged copy of photocopiable page 27 'Storybook characters' to cut out, colour and stick to lollipop sticks. Encourage the children to take turns to tell the story to one another, using the character puppets to help them. Suggest that they tell the story twice, so that they can modify or develop it after listening to their partner's version. Bring the class together to discuss their storytelling skills.

Support: provide story prompts if necessary

Extend: individual children tell the story to a small group of children

Independent work

Creative thinking:

applying their imaginative ideas

Ask the children to draw a picture of an event in the story and write a sentence about it. Encourage them to think about what happens before and after the event. Let them show each other their work and talk about their chosen event.

Plenary

Bring the class together and ask them to help you to retell a different story.