

Parent's Guide

Using Purple Mash for

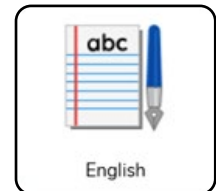
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Supporting children with English at home helps build strong language and literacy skills during their most important years of development. It reinforces what they learn at school and boosts their confidence in reading, writing, and speaking. Good language skills are key to success in school, future jobs, and everyday situations like writing a letter or having a conversation.

How can you support at home?

Purple Mash contains a resource bank of quality tools, texts for reading, games and activities for all areas of English including grammar, spelling, oracy, reading and writing.



Start on the Purple Mash homepage by clicking on the 'English' folder.

If your child's school already uses Purple Mash, ask your child to show you the work and activities they've been working on at school. You can also use the search bar to find tools and activities.

Here are suggested starting points based on your child's age:

If your child is aged 3-5, have a go at these Mini Mash activities:

2Create A Story

Search for 2Create A Story in Mini Mash. Think of a story you know. Record your voice and draw on each page to retell your story. Press play.



Builder's Tray

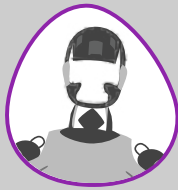
Open Mini Mash and step outside to find the Builder's Tray. Select 'sounds' from the menu. Use the letters, then select objects starting with the same sound.



If your child is aged 5-7, have a go at these:

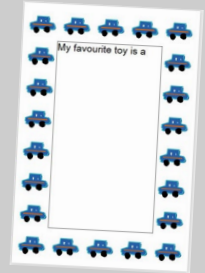
Mashcams

Use your webcam to become one of the many characters. Write some sentences from their perspective.



2Publish

Select the Page Border template from 2Publish. Draw your favourite toy in the magnifying glass. Write about your toy.



If your child is aged 7-9, have a go at these:

2Create A Story

Select 2Create a story from the English tools. Type up your story and bring each page to life with sounds and animations.



2Connect

Select 2Connect from the English tools. Enter a central word such as “happy”, “walk”, or “nice” and then build a web around it with alternative words that share a similar meaning.



If your child is aged 9-11, have a go at these:

Creative Writing

I spy with my little eye, an exciting set of videos and corresponding activities to encourage creative writing. Search for ‘Catching Blueprints’



2Cast

Can you speak clearly and engagingly for a full minute on a topic that interests you? Record your performance using 2Cast.



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