

Practical activity ideas

Notes for the teacher - If your children need to review their learning, you can use these activities to support them.

Castle bingo

The resources required for this activity include counters and the printed bingo boards (see lesson resources).

Activity: Print enough 'Castle feature bingo boards' for one per child (or they could work in pairs). There are 5 different board variations, so spread these round different parts of the room to children. Read the clues that are provided on the resource sheet. Children should decide which castle feature the clue is about and place a counter on that picture. The first person or team to get 3 counters correctly placed in a row, either horizontally, vertically or diagonally, shouts "BINGO!" to win.

Hear and draw

The resources required for this activity include the printed castle description for the teacher to read (see lesson resources), plain paper, pencils and colouring pencils.

Activity: The teacher should read the description of a castle to the children. Read the castle description through once, while the children just listen and visualise with nothing in their hands. Then repeat the description slowly one section at a time, allowing children to sketch what they hear as they listen, in order to draw a castle complete with all the features described. If children struggle to recall the features, then consider replaying the animation from the lesson or displaying the key vocabulary slide while they draw.

