London Calling!

Year 1 • Hot-weather challenges

Explore London from home. Choose two or three quiet indoor activities each day. Take regular breaks and drink water. Use your knowledge organiser. No printing needed.

1. London landmark detectives

Choose Buckingham Palace, the London Eye or Elizabeth Tower from your organiser. Draw it and give three clues for someone to guess.

Extra challenge: label the shapes you can spot.



2. Build a bridge

Use paper, blocks or clean recycling to build a bridge across a pretend River Thames. Can it hold a small toy? Change one thing to make it stronger, then test again. Ask an adult for help with scissors.



3. Marley's London adventure

Draw a map for Marley the Meerkat. Include a river, a bridge, two landmarks and a zoo. Add a key with symbols. Trace a route using near, next to, left and right.



4. Travel around London

Draw a double-decker bus, Underground train and river boat on separate cards. Count wheels, windows or doors in your drawings. Which vehicle would you choose, and why?

Extra challenge: design a ticket with a destination and price.



5. Become a history storyteller

Fold paper into three sections. Draw the Great Fire of London beginning at the bakery, spreading between buildings and finally being brought under control. Use your organiser. Tell the story using first, next and finally.



6. A refreshing royal drink

Draw a fruit smoothie for a royal tea party. Name it and label the ingredients. With an adult, you could make it using washed fruit and ingredients suitable for you. Describe its colour, smell and taste.

An adult must use knives and the blender.



Postcard challenge



Imagine you are visiting London. Draw your favourite landmark and complete: 'Dear ..., I visited ... . I saw ... . My favourite part was ... .'

Share your learning through pictures, models, labels or talking.