

EVERYDAY SKILL BUILDERS

Storytelling

getting organised



3 MINUTE VIDEO
TUTORIAL HERE

Reading to children builds vocabulary, language, phonological awareness, and foundational literacy. But what happens when those well-intended moments don't go to plan? If children aren't engaging with books the way you hoped, it might be time to reach for a different skill – one that better meets their needs right now.

Enter storytelling. This everyday skill builder series aims to build your storytelling craft, starting with getting organised.

TIPS TO GET YOU ORGANISED FOR ENGAGING STORYTELLING

1

Having an organised set of resources for story telling is key. Gather your storytelling resources in a kit that becomes part of your teaching toolkit.

- A briefcase or bag or decorated box
- A labeled box that keep everything together; for example, the book, props, characters and a storytelling mat all in one labelled container.

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Finding a special place for these resources to be stored as complete kits will ensure you're always set for planned or impromptu story telling experiences.

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Taking the time after each story telling experience to ensure the kits are packed away correctly is a critical step in staying organised and able to respond to children in the future



STORYTELLING KIT EXAMPLE

A old briefcase could hold resources for a range of storytelling.

- Finger puppets / puppet gloves for stories or songs you know
- A folder with visual cards for storytelling
- Props /masks etc for acting out stories
- A felt board and resources to tell a story

Notes

Reflections

