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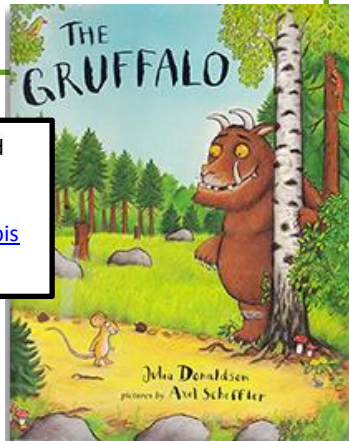
**What is great about this book?**

Wonderful illustrations by Alex Scheffler

It rhymes, which is great for phonological awareness and also allows for the child to "read along" by filling in the last word

Repetitive story line, making it predictable

Lots of fun descriptive words



Watch it on Iplayer with your child or read the story with them

<https://www.bbc.co.uk/iplayer/episode/b00pk64x/the-gruffalo>

These fox and badger heads are simple to make using circles and triangles. Why not attach a stick to the back so that your child can move them around, using them imaginatively. Whilst out for a walk collect grass, leaves and sticks and create your own woodland habitat to put the animals in.



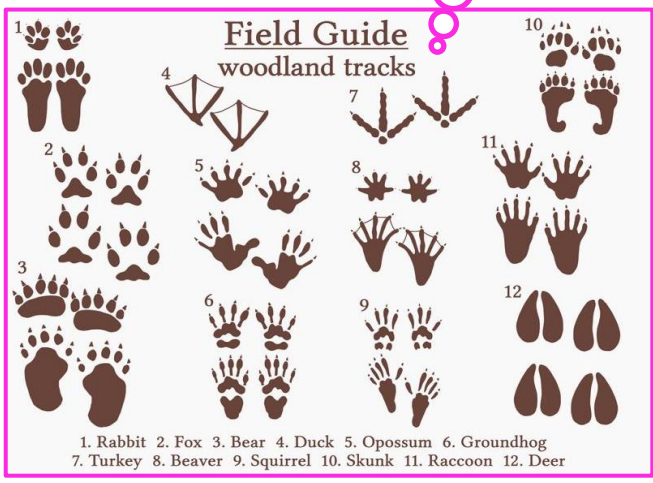
At preschool we use the Simon Says game as a regular tool to help listening and attention and child participation. I highly recommend you play the game at home to support your child's development and behaviour. Below is a variant of the traditional game.....

## ALPHABET THEMED IDEAS FOR SIMON SAYS

<b>a</b> ARMS UP	<b>n</b> NOD YOUR HEAD
<b>b</b> BALANCE ON ONE FOOT	<b>o</b> OPEN YOUR MOUTH WIDE
<b>c</b> CLAP YOUR HANDS	<b>p</b> PAT YOUR BELLY
<b>d</b> DOWNWARD DOG POSE	<b>q</b> QUIETLY SHUSH
<b>e</b> EYES CLOSED	<b>r</b> RUN IN PLACE
<b>f</b> FLEX YOUR MUSCLES	<b>s</b> STOMP YOUR FEET
<b>g</b> GIVE A THUMBS UP	<b>t</b> TOUCH YOUR TOES
<b>h</b> HIGH FIVE SOMEONE	<b>u</b> UNICORN HORN
<b>i</b> IMITATE AN ANIMAL	<b>v</b> VICTORY DANCE
<b>j</b> JUMP UP & DOWN	<b>w</b> WAVE HELLO
<b>k</b> KICK YOUR LEGS	<b>x</b> X WITH YOUR ARMS

How many tracks can you find?

### Field Guide woodland tracks



1. Rabbit 2. Fox 3. Bear 4. Duck 5. Opossum 6. Groundhog  
7. Turkey 8. Beaver 9. Squirrel 10. Skunk 11. Raccoon 12. Deer