Home Learning Ideas for Parents of 0-5's

Hungry Little Minds	**Website Link:** www.hungrylittleminds.campaign.gov.uk Simple, fun activities from new born to 5 years. Select age group for your child to access activities.
"small talk" Little ways to make a big difference	**Website Link:** small-talk.org.uk Select the age group for your child and get lots of ideas for chatting, playing and reading. *You can sign up to receive updates.*
TINY Happy PEOPLE *Your **words** build their **world***	**Website Link:** www.bbc.co.uk/tiny-happy-people Tiny Happy People helps develop your child's communication skills. Explore simple activities and play ideas, also lots of tips and advice.
Elklan aiming high with communication	Education Development Trust (EDT) and Elklan, have developed **Family Resources**, fun and friendly guides for parents to support their 2-4 year-old's communication skills.
FAMILY ZONE Supporting families following school closures National Literacy Trust	**Website Link:** www.literacytrust.org.uk/family-zone Scroll down to what age is your child (birth – 4) and learn more including videos and stories and games.
Libraries Connected	**Website Link:** **Libraries From Home** An online resources of fantastic remote services that libraries are delivering to people across the country. The website pulls together some of the excellent rhyme times, story times and Lego clubs to keep children engaged and support early literacy and creative thinking.

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Apps for Under 5's

There are lots of things you can do to support your child:

Explore together This can be a fantastic way to find out what your child enjoys doing online, as well as having fun and learning together.

Talk to your child about their online experiences Start and continue regular conversations about what they enjoy doing online, introducing **online safety messages** so that if your child sees anything online which makes them feel worried, they can tell you or another adult they trust.

Supervise your child while they're online: Keep the devices your child uses in **communal areas**. Children under 5 **should not** access the internet unsupervised in private spaces, such as alone in their bedroom

Parental controls: Make use of the parental controls available on your home broadband and any internet enabled device in your home. Ref: **internet matters site** If you need any help setting up parental controls, you can also call up the NSPCC/O2 Helpline or visit an O2 store.

SafeSearch: The use of 'SafeSearch' is recommended for use with young children. Look out for the 'Settings' button on your web browser homepage, which is often shaped like a small cog.

Set boundaries: As a family you can agree a set of rules, such as locations in the house where devices can be used, times of day your child can use devices, or which age appropriate apps or websites they can access. Use passwords. **Switch off at least an hour before bedtime**.

Lead by example: Get into good habits - model the digital habits you expect from your child (for example, no tablets during meal-times)

**Look out for quality marks that an independent educational panel
believe have good educational value.**

CBeebies Storytime is filled with free interactive story books and bedtime stories for young children and is a great way to enjoy reading with your little one. The library is always growing, with amazing stories featuring all the CBeebies' favourites.
Age: 0-5 Platform: Apple, Android, Amazon

Lingumi provides a focus on spoken and communicative English. The app provides sets of learning games, speech recognition games and video-based games to help the child grow their grammar and get them speaking their first words. Age: 2-5 Platform: Apple, Android

CBeebies Playtime Island contains a wide range of fun and educational games to help children understand the world around them and support the development of core skills. Children can play along with all of CBeebies' most popular characters.
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