

Children's University Challenges

As always completed challenges for Essex CU to admin@essexchildrensuniversity.co.uk and
for Suffolk CU to manager@suffolkchildrensuniversity.co.uk

Packing:

You need to pack as many things as you can into a container, such as a shoe box, a suitcase, or another container of some kind.

How will you go about this? Try different arrangements to see the maximum number of items you can get into the container space. Next: Challenge a family member to see if they can match or better your total. Make the challenge harder by adding some irregular shaped items which will have to be included.



Apple Sculpture

Thank you to CU Scotland for this idea

You will need: 1 apple and 1 toothpick.

Get carving/top tips

- You could use extra toothpicks to shape or support your sculpture.
- Why not decorate with sweets, dried or fresh fruit.

Leafy Lab

Thank you to CU Scotland for this idea.

Find a leafy tree near your home. You're going to become a leaf scientist studying how the changing season will affect the tree's leaves.

Take photos, draw pictures, and make notes on Day 1, 7 and 14.

How do the leaves change each week?



Forestry England:

Activities can be carried out in any woodland area

Forestry England look after more land and more trees than any other organisation in the country, shaping landscapes for people, wildlife, and timber. With over 1,500 forests across England there are lots of amazing learning opportunities for you to get involved in. Forests offer fantastic opportunities to bring learning to life through hands-on experiences. No matter what the age or ability, there is something for everyone.

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Going out and about with your Passport to Learning

There are lots of learning destinations across Essex and Suffolk. Here are some ideas if you're looking for new places to visit and earn learning stamps too:

- [Essex Police Museum](#)
- [West Stow Anglo Saxon Museum](#)
 - Ring Quest: Lord of the Rings themed Family Challenge
- [Chelmsford City Museum](#)
 - Explorer Packs
- [Suffolk Owl Sanctuary](#)
- Halloween Witchety Fun at [Aldeburgh Museum](#) inspired by the book "Room on the Broom"

Details of all registered Learning Destinations can be found on our websites.

Write a Drabble about Autumn:

A drabble is a short piece of writing which is exactly 100 words long.

It's like any other story.

It should have a beginning, a middle and an end. Maybe it will have a twist in the tale. Think about the things that change as Summer moves into the Autumn, including the weather, what you wear, the amount of daylight. It's a great idea to write a list of words which will inspire your story before you get started.

Visit your local library – they have lots of activities going on.

Whether you are an Essex or Suffolk learner, find out what's happening at your local library. I know many of them have lots of half term activities planned.

I'd love to hear what you get up to.

Keep an eye on our Social Media pages where we will be posting any other activities we come across where you will be able to collect learning stamps.

1 CU Learning stamp for each of these activities unless stated otherwise.