

Twenty things to do before you start a Primary PGCE course...



1. Go to a library and read a collection of books aimed at primary aged children.



2. Visit a local park and imagine what activities you could do if you brought a group of primary aged children there.



3. Visit a museum and imagine what activities you could do if you brought a group of primary aged children there.



4. Roll, sledge or run down a hill and choose words to describe how it feels.



5. Make a model from items in your recycling – what did you choose to make and why?



6. Paint a picture. What colours can you make by mixing different paints?



7. Look around and take a photograph of five different mathematical shapes – can you name them?



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Write a short story using as many different types of punctuation as you can – can you name them all?



9. Bake some biscuits. What skills do you need to do this successfully?



10. Make a home for a garden animal. What does the animal need to survive?



11. Build a den (inside or outside) and sit inside it. What sounds can you hear?



12. Find out how to say hello in 5 new languages.



13. Make a map of the area where you live and mark on it places that are important to you.



14. Try a fruit or vegetable that you've never tasted before. How would you describe the taste?



Go to an outside place and collect objects in as many different shades of green as possible.



16. Watch a currently popular children's TV programme aimed at primary aged children. What do you think makes it engaging for children?



17. Play a new team game with some friends, explaining the rules clearly.



18. Read a picture book, comic or graphic novel with a young friend or family member. How do the pictures enhance the text?



19. Ask a child to teach you something new that you can do on a mobile phone or other digital device.



20. Ask an older person about their memories of primary school