

Summer Arts Boredom Busters

Take Off!

**Invent something new,
solve a problem and
use your imagination!**

As London emerges from lockdown and recovers from the COVID-19 pandemic, we're inviting families to celebrate summer and get creative. Our weekly Summer Arts Boredom Busters will help you to keep busy, stay well, and stop your kids bouncing off the walls! This week we invite you to **take off** and **stretch your imaginations...**

About A New Direction

A New Direction is a London-based non-profit, generating opportunities for children and young people to unlock their creativity. We work with partners across education, culture and the creative industries, local government and business, to support children and young people to be creative and experience culture, while identifying areas of inequality and campaigning for policy change.

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Try...

Little Inventors' quick and simple Mini Challenges invite you to have a go at creating an ingenious invention. Let your imagination run wild and upload your ideas for a chance to be featured on their website! Try following one of the daily challenges or download the full set here:

<https://www.littleinventors.org/mini-challenges/all-the-worlds-a-stage>

Explore...

Register to download Firstsite's free Artist Activity packs, which are full of inspiring activities from a range of top artists including Anthony Gormley, Cornelia Parker and many more. Try out Zoe Beloff's 'Guide to Interplanetary Exploration' or play Grayson Perry's 'Character Game' (both in pack three) to explore new worlds and create new stories.

<https://firstsite.uk/art-is-where-the-home-is/>

Do...

London Bubble has created a pack with their 20 favourite drama games to play at home. Give someone an imaginary gift, turn your living room into a beach, and play hide and seek with your favourite toys!

<https://www.londonbubble.org.uk/wp-content/uploads/2018/12/Drama-games-pack-updated.pdf>

Play...

Culture Mile has created Play Packs which are full of inspiring ideas for you to get creative at home. Check out their Activity Packs and Play Prompts for loads of fun games, challenges, and arts and crafts projects.

<https://www.culturemile.london/playpacks>

Experiment...

Get experimental with the Roald Dahl Museum's at-home experiments, inspired by his famous stories. Why not have a go at creating a volcano or a lava lamp inspired by George's Marvellous Medicine?

<https://www.roalddahl.com/things-to-do-indoors>

Go Further...

If you still feel like stretching your imagination, go further with some of these easy to follow activities:

Watch, Make and Do with Anna and Arji's Broomcupboard from A Line Art

<https://www.alineart.co.uk/watch-make-do>

Make a cardboard automata with this resource from Crafts Council and Cabaret Mechanical

https://www.craftscouncil.org.uk/documents/928/cardboard_automata_worksheet.pdf

Explore space at home by following our Keeping Creative At Home blog

<https://www.anewdirection.org.uk/blog/keeping-creative-at-home-how-to-explore-inner-outer-space>

Share your creations on social media with the hashtag **#SummerArtsBoredomBusters**

Have you stretched your imagination and created something epic? After a busy week of boredom busting, be sure to share your work with us by tagging:

 **@A_New_Direction**
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We look forward to seeing your brilliant creations!

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