Individual Activity Lesson Plan Cardboard Boat Craft- 'The Smartest Giant in Town'



Date: Tuesday 5 th May 2020 Activity Title: Cardboard Boat Craft- 'The Smartest Giant in Town'		
 Resources: Book 'The Smartest Giant in Town' (see link below) Big cardboard box Old shirt/T-shirt/towel Towel Old broomstick Cardboard/Card paper Mark making tools, paint, stickers, etc if you would like to decorate your boat Scissors Masking tape/sellotape 	Key vocabulary: Boat, sail, steering wheel, captain, wave, shirt, sailor, sea, river, Giant, build, glue, stick, paint, colour, cut, shirt, sail, sit inside, "My Shirt's on a Boat as a Sail for a Goat".	
ACTIVITY IMPLETEMENTATION (including key question)		

Introduction:

• Read the book 'The Smartest Giant in Town' by Julia Donaldson and Axel Scheffler.

https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=NAxDRYhsBSc

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- Talk to your child about the importance of sharing and helping others.
- Tell your child you are going to pretend to be sailors like the goat from the story, but first you need to make a boat!
- Show your child a big cardboard box, a stick, a shirt and mark making tools and explain to them you are going to make a boat using these resources.

Main Activity:

- Gather the resources you need for this activity (As listed above).
- Take a cardboard box and cut the lid/one side off the box.
- Use paint, stickers or mark making tools to decorate the box. "How would you like to decorate your boat?" "What colour do we use to paint your boat?"
- Once you have decorated the box, stick the broomstick inside one of the sides of the cardboard box







and tie the shirt to the top of the stick as sail. "What colour is this shirt?" "Where is our sail?"

 You can also make a cardboard steering wheel and stick it onto the inside of your boat. "Hello captain! Be careful with the waves!" "Where should we go?" "What can you see?" "I like the way you are navigating this boat!"

Activity review:

Did you enjoy making a boat? Did you enjoy pretending to be a sailor? What did you see on your adventure? E.g.: sea animals, buildings, people.

Additional ways to support your child:	Extension:
Role model pretend play. Ask your child a variety of questions in order to encourage your child to use their vocabulary: "What colour is our boat?" "Where do we go?"	Encourage your child to use simple sentences whilst engaging in pretend play: "I'm the captain!" "I see a whale!"