

Date: Tuesday 19th May 2020

Activity Title: Create a Blurb

| Learning Intention: To use technology to share information. | Activity Overview: Your child will record his/her own blurb to |
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| Links to EYFS: Understanding the World | introduce <i>The Lion Inside</i> . |
| Resources: | Key vocabulary: story, blurb, |
| Story link: <u>https://www.youtube.com/channel/UCn9Kx_D9nnBpQO2txIssq-</u> <u>A?view_as=subscriber</u> | author, illustrator, record. |

- Several story books (from your own collection)

ACTIVITY IMPLEMENTATION (including key questions)

Introduction:

- Gather several books (from your own collection).
- Draw your child's attention to the blurbs on the back of the books. Read several together.
- -What do we find out from reading the blurb?
- -Does it tell the whole story?

-Does it give away the story ending?

Main Activity:

• Look at the front cover of today's story.

-What you can see?

• Explain to your child that today you'd like them to create a blurb for the story *The Lion Inside*. This is quite a tricky challenge, so refer your child back to the examples they read before and give him/her examples too.

For example: "This story is called the Lion Inside. The author is Rachael Bright and the illustrator is Jim Field – he drew the pictures. The story is about a little mouse who feels small, but wants to be brave so he goes in search for a Lion to learn to roar. He is a very brave little mouse. Find out what happens when he meets the lion.'

- Once your child has an understanding of what to say, make a recording of him/her sharing their blurb.
- Watch the recording back.

-What did you really like about the blurb? -If you were going to do it again, is there anything you would do differently.

Challenge:

Can you remember the job of an author and an illustrator?

| Additional ways to support your child: | Extension: |
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| Today's activity is quiet challenging. Support your | Play a game with your family called guess the book. |
| child by practising a blurb together. You could draw | You can give them clues E.g. "In this story there's a girl |
| little pictures/symbols or make actions to help | whose favourite colour is red." |
| remember each sentence. | |

