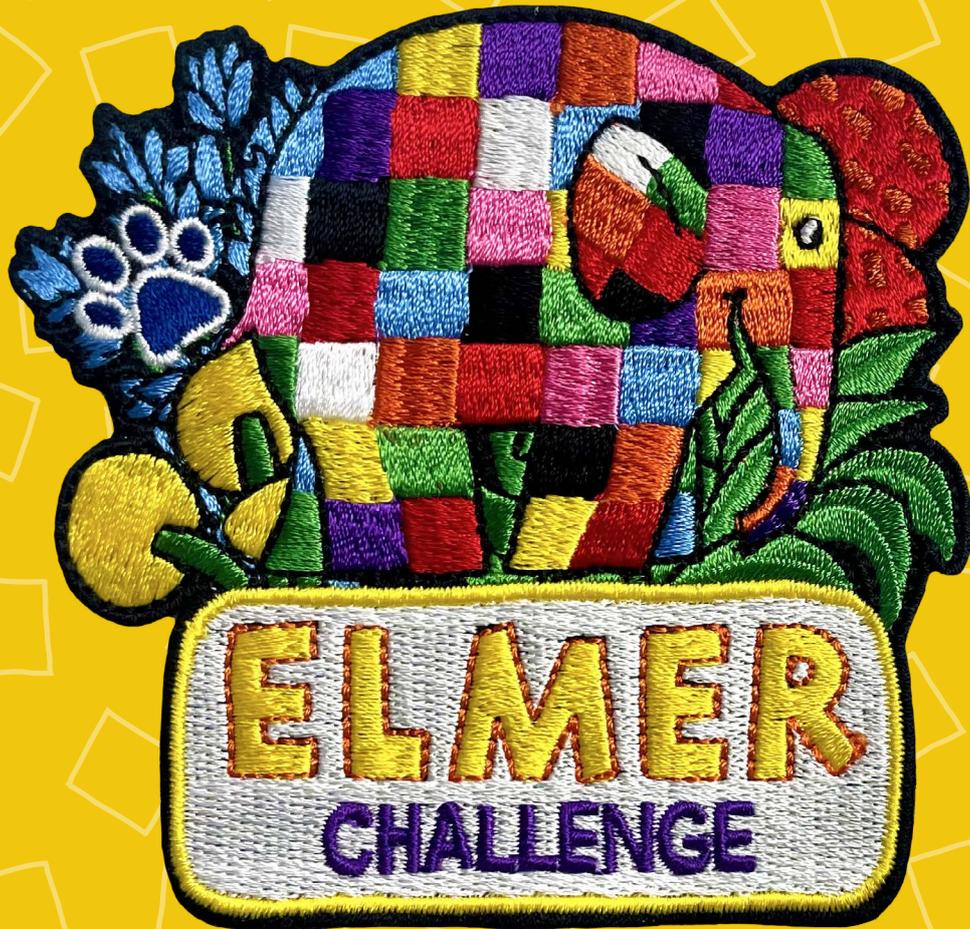


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Elmer Challenge



Celebrate diversity, friendship and fun with Elmer!

Add an explosion of colour to your adventures with our Elmer Challenge Pack. Prepare for activities inspired by patchwork patterns and all things elephant.

For even more programme ideas check out our 'Elmer' board over on www.Pinterest.com/PawprintFamily

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Meet the FAMILY

Hi there! We're Charlotte & Jamie, the husband and wife team behind the Pawprint Family and we believe in #AdventureForAll.

It's our mission to help leaders, teachers and parents save time by providing ideas and opportunities to help them deliver everyday adventure and skills for life. We do this through our family of brands; find out more below and head to the website for your next adventure!



PAWPRINT BADGES

Pawprint Badges provides thousands of free activity ideas and resources to help leaders, teachers and parents deliver fun and adventure.

Every activity helps you share skills for life and is linked to one of our pawesome embroidered badges. Build your collection and celebrate adventures, new skills and knowledge gained.

PAWPRINT TRAILS

Pawprint Trails are treasure-hunt style walks around locations in the UK. Solve puzzles, track down the answers and explore everything our great country has to offer.

From historical sights to popular culture discover something new or rediscover a love for where you live then collect the badge to remember your adventures!

Whether you're looking for the perfect addition to your next family holiday or a few hours of fun with friends; each trail can be completed in a few hours or extended with our activity suggestions in to a weekend or a week's worth of fun!

PAWPRINT TALES

Pawprint Tales are fully illustrated stories that can be enjoyed by the whole family. Join Alfie (our fox-red Labrador) on his adventures around the UK - solving puzzles, turning detective and making new friends. With twists and turns, every tale is an opportunity to discover new places, people and history without needing to leave the comfort of your own home.

Enjoy Pawprint Tales alongside your Pawprint Trails or as a standalone adventure!

PAWPRINT TRUST

Every brand in the Pawprint Family supports the Pawprint Trust with a percentage of profits from every sale providing grants to young people. We're passionate about enabling young people to access life changing adventures.

Share your adventures and join us over on our social channels for even more adventures and a nosy behind the scenes at Pawprint HQ!



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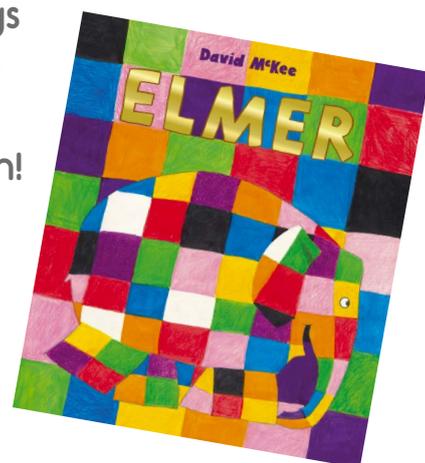


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Welcome to the **ELMER** Challenge!

We've teamed up with Pawprint Family to bring you all things Elmer! Get ready to earn your Elmer Challenge Badge with the Elmer Challenge Pack, full of 40 free activities ideas, endless elephant-themed adventures and a trunk full of fun!

Elmer remains one of the most iconic and widely read children's book series of all time. Written and illustrated by celebrated children's author and artist David McKee, the Elmer books have been translated into more than 60 languages since the book was first published by Andersen Press in 1989.



Elmer the patchwork elephant is a beacon of inclusivity and friendship, themes that have since resonated with millions of children around the world.



David went on to write and illustrate a total of 30 Elmer picture books, with more novelty books for babies too, and a licensing programme which sees Elmer appear on clothing, on the stage, in games and puzzles and much, much more.

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HOW TO: Use Your Challenge Pack



This Challenge Pack has been divided into 4 sections: Craft, Food, Games and Other. In order to help you provide a balanced and varied programme for your young adventurers we recommend that the following number of activities are completed by each age group:

Age 3 - 5						
Age 5 - 7		Craft	Food	Games	Other	PICK
Age 7 - 11						
Age 11 - 14						
Age 14 - 18						
Age 18+						

Leaders, Teachers & Parents
Award yourselves a badge for supporting your young adventurers in their activities!

TOP TIPS

- Adapt activities as necessary to meet your needs.
- Add your own activity ideas or develop them into projects.
- Use what you have; don't buy in lots of new materials/equipment.
- No need to send us evidence, responsible grown-ups decide when the badge has been earned.
- One challenge badge can take as long as you like; from a few hours to days or even a full term!

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Craft

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-  Elmer is the most colourful elephant you'll ever see with his beautiful patchwork pattern! Sew your own patchwork quilt using left over material from other craft activities, or even old t-shirts that will add extra meaning and memories to your quilt.
-  *"We must celebrate this day every year," said another. "This will be Elmer's Day. All elephants must decorate themselves and Elmer will decorate himself elephant colour."* Download the 'Elmer Day Elephant' resource from our website and paint the elephant in bright colours ready for Elmer Day!
-  Try patchwork sponge painting with chopped up squares of old sponge. Want to print your patchwork squares in the shape of Elmer? Visit www.elmer.co.uk/activities/ to download and print the 'Colour in Elmer' template.
-  Make your very own Elmer sun catcher!

How?

Trace the outline of Elmer onto a transparent sheet (e.g. an blank laminated sheet) and go to town with gluing different coloured tissue paper squares onto Elmer with PVA glue. Let Elmer dry, cut him out and hang him in the window to catch some sun rays!

-  Try your hand at elephant origami. It's a more challenging Elmer-themed craft activity but it's oh so reelephant.
-  Create a set of Elmer character puppets to retell the story with. Download and print the free 'Elmer Character Puppets' resource from our website to get started or make your own from scratch with materials of your choice.
-  Make your own elephant sculpture out of a cardboard toilet roll tube. Check out the 'Elmer' Pinterest board for instructions on how to make yours.
-  Create and construct your own Elmer the elephant mask. Head across to elmer.co.uk/activities/ for instructions on how to make yours with a paper plate, or check out our 'Elmer' Pinterest board for more mask ideas.
-  Who doesn't love a paint by numbers?! Print out the 'Elmer Paint by Numbers' resource from our website to help you learn your colours and numbers, or just for a relaxing activity full of joy and happiness!
-  Elmer values family and friendship! Draw and design a colourful (and possibly patterned) friend for Elmer to laugh and play with.
-  Patchwork paper weaving. Cut up thin strips of coloured paper or card and weave them over and under each other to create a paper patchwork pattern.



Food

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-  Bake some elephant shaped biscuits. Why not decorate them with hundreds and thousands so that they're colourful and unique just like Elmer?
-  Put together an Elmer inspired snack platter full of healthy foods that represent each colour of Elmer's body (e.g. carrots for orange, strawberries for red). It'll be bright and colourful and it'll help you reach your 5 a day!
-  Make an edible rainbow with sweet or savoury foods of your choice.
-  *After a long walk, Elmer found what he was looking for – a large bush. A large bush covered with berries, a large bush covered with elephant-coloured berries. Make a dish of your choice using your favourite edible berries (not elephant berries though...)*

What?

You could bake a batch of berry crumble bars, full of summer berries, porridge oats and cinnamon. How about a nice refreshing triple berry smoothie made out of blueberries, raspberries and strawberries? The opportunities are endless!

-  Bake tear and share Elmer bread (patchwork dough balls). Make this activity more challenging by baking your bread into a 3D edible elephant sculpture.
-  Elmer celebrates and represents uniqueness, difference, and diversity. Put together a dish that represents you and shows what makes you special.
-  Prepare an edible Elmer face with different fruits and vegetables. You could use a banana for his trunk and watermelon slices for his ears. Head over to our 'Elmer' board on Pinterest for some super sweet inspiration.
-  Make an Elmer collage out of different coloured sweet or chocolate wrappers instead of throwing them away! We're all about saving the planet one elephant stomp at a time.
-  Elmer values happiness, love, and family. Make a dish that you really love eating and that makes you happy. Why not spread the love and share your dish with a family member too?
-  Patchwork biscuit piece. Work with a friend or partner to decorate individual shortbread squares with different coloured icing or toppings. To finish put them together to make a big patchwork biscuit piece!
-  Make some rainbow pasta. Once cooked, coat the pasta in a small amount of food colouring inside a zip-lock bag. After 1 minute, rinse your pasta and it's ready to eat! You could even use your pasta for your edible rainbow activity.



Games

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-  *Elmer was yellow and orange and red and pink and purple and blue and green and black and white.* Race against the clock to sort a bag of Smarties® or Skittles® into their colours.
-  Go on a colour hunt and try to find an object for every colour of Elmer's body. Why not use our free 'Colour Hunt Colour Wheel' resource to help?
-  Walk like an elephant, talk like an elephant. Come up with your own game with elephant-themed actions and gestures. A great way to get kids moving!

What?

"Elephant Stomp" - stomp around the room like an elephant. "All ears" - stop immediately and cup your hands around your ears to listen to the next instruction. "Trunk tangle" - join trunks with a partner as quickly as you can. "Hide in the herd!" - find a hiding spot. "Shake the berries" - shake every part of your body as you walk around the room. "Boo!!" - do a big star jump to scare the other elephants just like Elmer does in the story.

-  *As they laughed, the rain cloud burst and when the rain fell on Elmer, his patchwork started to show again.* Take on the Rainbow rain experiment from our 'Elmer' Pinterest board.
-  Play a traditional game of snap, but with a trunky twist. Instead of matching numbers, players must match the most colours or patterns on the elephants to win. Download the free 'Elmer Snap' resource from our website.
-  Fancy a relaxing activity? Challenge yourself to some elephant yoga poses. Check out some elephant-themed poses on our 'Elmer' Pinterest board.
-  Play Elmer's Dice Game.

How?

Download the game from the Elmer Website: www.elmer.co.uk/activities/. The aim of the game is to roll the dice, match the number to the colours on your picture and colour all patches with that number. The first to colour Elmer wins the game!

-  Create your own Elmer bingo cards full of words related to Elmer. For example, fun, joy, laughter, friendship, colour, diversity. Colour each word in a different colour when your word is called out to create a completed patchwork bingo playing card. Not sure where to start? Download our free blank bingo cards resource from the website to get started.
-  Piece Elmer back together in our free downloadable 'Patchwork Puzzle' resource, but be careful, the patchwork colours make it a tricky one to solve!



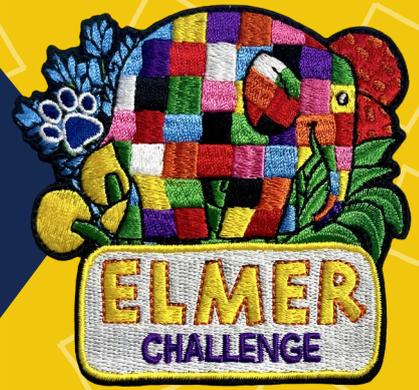
Other

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-  Elmer celebrates that everyone is special in their own way. What makes you unique? Create a poster with everything that makes you who you are!
-  Re-create Elmer with multilink or plastic cubes. Why not count how many of each colour you have too?
-  *If there was even a little smile, it was usually Elmer who started it.* Elmer made the other elephants smile and laugh in the story. Write a list of things that make you smile!
-  Think up an acrostic poem for the letters of 'Elmer' with words that relate to kindness, uniqueness, or you!
-  Discover the Elmer book collection on the Elmer website: www.elmer.co.uk/books/. Which Elmer book will you read next?
-  Make up or write your own story about Elmer and the other elephants. Will they all paint themselves in patchwork patterns to look like Elmer instead?!
-  Retell the story of Elmer with the Elmer character puppets that you made for your craft activity.
-  Find out when Elmer Day is and celebrate it with friends! Why not dress up in bright and colourful patterns just like Elmer's friends do for Elmer Day?
-  With younger children, learn the colours of the rainbow with Elmer. Which of Elmer's colours are primary colours and which are secondary?
-  Make batches of different coloured Elmer-themed play dough.
-  Visit a local zoo to see the elephants and learn more about the elephant species. You might not see Elmer but you'll learn some elephan-tastic facts.
-  Listen to 'Elmer The Patchwork Elephant - 'Be A Rainbow'' on Youtube. A fun and catchy song that celebrates everything Elmer!
-  Spend some time with loved ones doing a fun activity of your choice. The story of Elmer is a story of diversity, friendship, love, fun, and happiness.
-  Pour warm water into the middle of a ring of skittles and watch the colours from each skittle run into the centre to create an Elmer-like rainbow pattern.
-  Visit your local library and take out a book on elephants. Wow your friends and family with incredible facts about how elephants live in the wild.

Adventure Complete?

Reward your young adventurers with their Elmer Challenge badge to mark their achievements! Head to the website to bag yours, download certificates and discover even more adventures!



Create a Keepsake!

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