



# Home Learning Summer 1

1. **Story Retelling:** Encourage children to retell the stories using props or puppets. They can act out the journey of the hungry caterpillar as it eats through different foods, or the adventure of Handa as she carries a basket of fruits to her friend Akeyo.  
<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=75NQK-Sm1YY> and <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=AjdPIMejbAw>
2. **Healthy Eating:** Discuss healthy eating habits inspired by the stories. Create a simple chart with pictures of healthy foods eaten by the caterpillar or carried by Handa. Have children sort pictures of fruits and other healthy foods into "Healthy" and "Unhealthy" categories.
3. **Sequencing:** Print out or draw pictures of key events from both stories and ask children to put them in the correct order. For "The Very Hungry Caterpillar," this could include the different foods the caterpillar eats, and for "Handa's Surprise," it could include the sequence of animals taking fruits from Handa's basket.
4. **Counting and Numbers:** Use images from the stories to practice counting and number recognition. For example, count the number of fruits eaten by the caterpillar each day or count how many fruits are in Handa's basket. You can also create simple addition and subtraction problems using the fruits from the stories.
5. **Art and Craft:** Get creative with art activities inspired by the stories. Children can make their own hungry caterpillars using egg cartons or create handprint fruits like those in "Handa's Surprise." Encourage them to use different materials and textures to make their creations.
6. **Role-Playing:** Encourage imaginative play by acting out scenes from the stories. Children can take turns being the hungry caterpillar, Handa, or the different animals. Provide props such as toy fruits, baskets, and caterpillar costumes to enhance their play experience.
7. **Outdoor Exploration:** Take children on a nature walk to look for real-life examples of the foods mentioned in the stories. Encourage them to observe different fruits growing on trees or plants and talk about where these foods come from.
8. **Cooking:** Cook simple recipes inspired by the stories, such as fruit salad like the one Handa carries or a caterpillar-themed snack using fruits and vegetables. This not only reinforces healthy eating but also provides hands-on learning experiences.
9. **Writing:** Provide opportunities for children to practice writing related to the stories. They can draw pictures of their favourite parts, write simple sentences describing what happens, or write words from the text.

These activities offer a variety of ways for children to engage with the themes and characters of "The Very Hungry Caterpillar" and "Handa's Surprise" while also supporting their learning across different areas of development. Please add photos or work to your child's portfolio on dojo. Thank you



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