



# Space Story Stones

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### AGE GROUP



3-5 years



Multiage



6-12 years

### HOW DO I SET UP & PLAY?

- Set all materials up on a table or low workspace.
- Ask children to choose a couple of stones (depending on how many you have available).
- Now they can choose one of the pictures you have cut out - explain they will need to compare the size of their stone and the picture they choose so that it fits.
- Show children how to dip their brushes into the watered down PVA mix and coat the top of their stone. Now they can stick their chosen image on top.
- Brush over the picture and underneath of the pebble with another layer of PVA wash.
- Lay the pebbles onto the baking paper sheets so they don't stick while drying. You might want to turn after a few hours and give the other side another coat of wash.
- When dry, encourage children to use the stones to create their own stories or add to their block play.

### EXTENDING LEARNING SPARKS

- Make a set of stones with duplicate pictures and play snap or memory games.
- Ask children to draw their own images and designs to glue onto pebbles. How will they use them?
- What else will stick to a stone? Experiment with different textures and materials to find out. Can you use tape instead of glue?

### WHAT MATERIALS DO I NEED?

- Smooth pebbles or landscaping stones that fit in your hand
- PVA glue mixed with a little water to thin the consistency to a wash in some small yoghurt or paint pots. You can use craft Mod Podge if you want but it's a lot more expensive - PVA works fine for me!
- Brushes
- A selection of small icon images cut out from the Space Curiosity Spark Printables Pack (you'll find astronauts, stars, planets etc).
- Baking paper



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