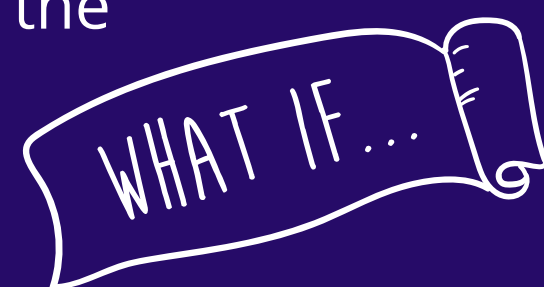
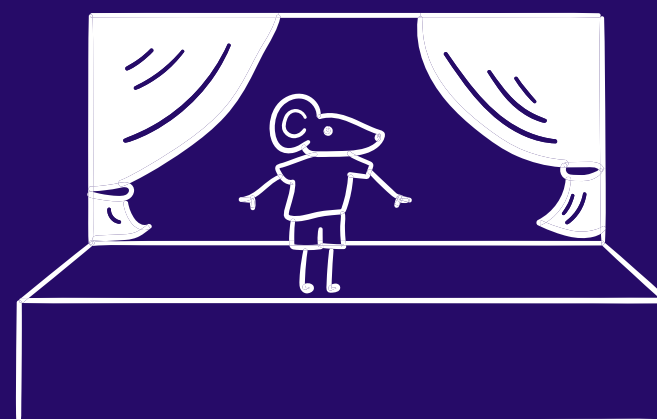


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Fill a shoe box with slips of paper containing 'What if...' questions. Take it in turns with your child to pick one out at random. Discuss and explore the questions together.



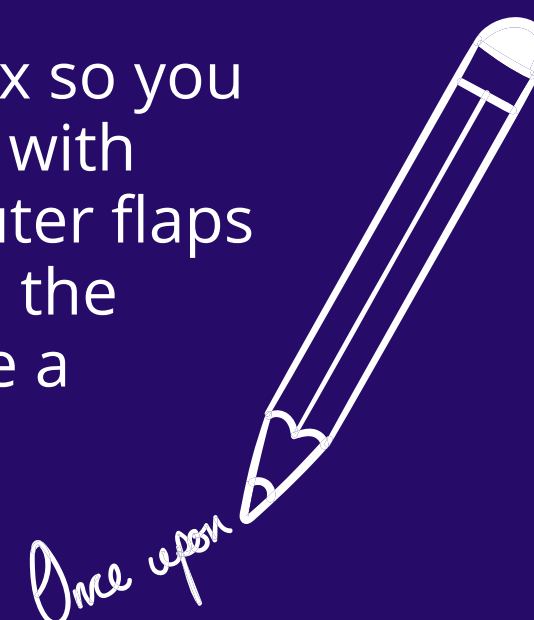
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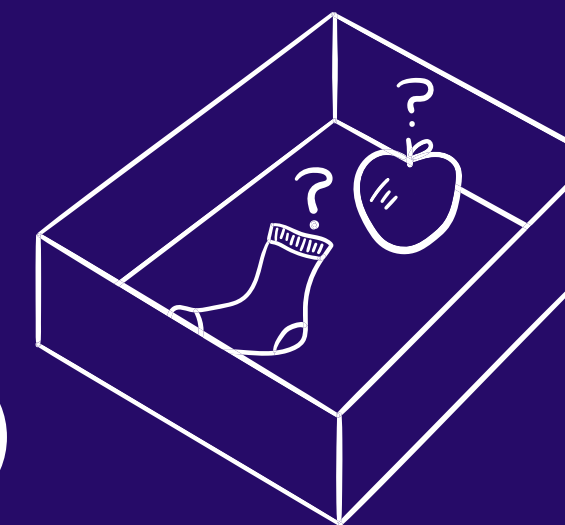
Cut one long side of the shoe box so you can flatten it down. You now have a stage you and your child can design. Add in characters (small toys or draw them on bits of the lid and then cut them out) and create a play together.

3

Cut the corners of the shoe box so you can flatten it out. Write a story with your child that starts on the outer flaps of the shoe box and finishes in the middle. Take it in turns to write a couple of sentences or a paragraph each.



5



Measure the shoe box. Help your child to work out its volume. Then, give your child a list of different items and challenge them to estimate how many of each could fit inside.

4

Take a shoe box into the garden, minus the lid. Practice throwing a ball into the shoe box from increasingly far away. Use a tennis ball, a cricket ball, an American football or a rugby ball, depending on what your child likes most.

