Shadows

What are shadows?

How can we make shadows?

Wake in a dark room

Things that make interesting shadows

Walls
  • Bend and twist as shadows move along the join between the floor and wall

Buildings

Time of day

Telling the time

Length of shadows

Points on a compass

Spooky shadows

Shapes and sizes of shadows

Go to sleep in a dark room

Dark and light

Candlelight

Divali

Flickering shadows

Where do we see shadows?

Children make their own shadows
  • Torches
  • Working in pairs, one makes a shadow and the other travels around trying to keep out of the shadow, or jumps on it. They make similar shapes but bigger or smaller using gestures and whole body actions
  • Develop to moving in and out of lots of shadows. A’s make shadows whilst B’s move around then swap over
  • A moves around the space whilst B copies as if the shadow
  • Candles

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Rich Opportunities

Knowledge and Understanding of the World (KUoW)

Myself and non-living things
- Understand that light comes from a variety of sources such as the Sun and that darkness is the absence of light

Language, Literacy and Communication Skills (LLC)

Oracy
- Listen to a variety of stories, traditional folk tales and poems from Wales and around the world

Books
- Stevenson, R. L., 'My Shadow'
- Burfoot, E., Darkness Slipped In (2009)

MUSIC

Artist: Robbie Williams
Track 14: 'Me and My Shadow'
Composers: Martin O’Donnell and Martin Salvatori
Track 7: 'Out of Shadow'
Album: Halo 3 (Original Soundtrack), 2008. Sumthing Else

POEMS

Resources

 Props

Torches, scarves, paper cut-outs