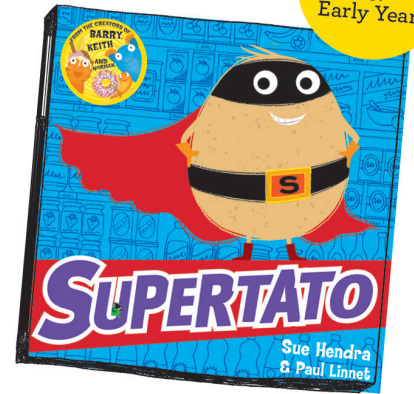


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# WORLD BOOK DAY IDEAS

ACTIVITY  
IDEAS  
for  
Early Years



## SUPERTATO by Sue Hendra & Paul Linnet

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### PREPARATION

#### Costume ideas

- Encourage children to come dressed as *Supertato* or other vegetables from the story – maybe even the Evil Pea! They could wear colourful clothes to represent the different vegetables and add extra details like a headband of green leaves for the carrots or a mask and cape for Supertato.
- **Optional activity:** Children could be encouraged to donate £1 to dress up, to fundraise for Book Aid International [bookaid.org/worldbookday](http://bookaid.org/worldbookday)

#### Things that could be set up in a classroom

- Set up a fruit and veg shop role-play area with lots of fruit and vegetables (real or pretend), shopping lists for children to write, price stickers, shopping baskets, paper bags, a till with role-play money and display boxes.
- Decorate different areas to look like a supermarket, with real or role-play cakes and bread for the bakery, empty milk cartons/bottles for the dairy section and empty packets, boxes and tins, plus a checkout area with tills and role-play money.

### THE DAY ITSELF

#### Start of the Day

- Introduce World Book Day to the children and read *Supertato* together. Encourage the children to listen carefully to the story and look at the illustrations.
- After reading the story, encourage the children to talk about their favourite parts and why they like them.

#### Morning activity ideas

- Encourage children to retell the story using puppets or decorated fruit and vegetables. Stick some googly eyes and other decorations onto some real or pretend fruit and vegetables and encourage the children to use the props to retell the story to a friend. They could also create other stories describing other adventures of Supertato.
- Encourage children to create a Wanted poster for the Evil Pea. They could draw a picture of the pea, write a description about him, describing some of his evil deeds and offer a reward for his capture!

#### Lunch/snack time ideas

- Support the children to make vegetable soup. Encourage them to help wash and prepare the vegetables and follow a simple recipe. Talk about the different vegetables used, – have they have tried them before? Taste the soup – do the children like it? How have the vegetables changed when they are cooked?

#### Afternoon activity ideas

- Explore colour mixing to paint pictures of the different vegetables seen in the story. Children could also explore creating vegetable prints by dipping hard fruit and vegetables into paint and pressing onto paper. Apples or potatoes work well and could be used to create pictures or patterns.
- Challenge children to create their own superhero fruit or vegetable. They could draw or paint a picture of their superhero character or decorate a real or pretend vegetable or fruit. They could add googly eyes, a material cape and other details, such as a belt, boots or a hat. Encourage children to describe their superhero and talk about any special powers their character has.

#### To end the day

- Have a superhero parade. Encourage the children to share their superhero costumes or creations with the rest of the class.

### HOME LEARNING

- Children could keep a fruit and vegetable diary describing the different fruit or vegetables they eat during the week. Challenge them to try a new fruit or vegetable or a different way of preparing the food such as baked potato instead of chips.
- Encourage parents to visit their local bookshop with their children to redeem their £1 World Book Day book token if they have one, to get a FREE World Book Day book.

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