

Why is it important to encourage independent learning?



What does Development Matters say?

- Be specific when you praise, especially noting effort such as how the child concentrates, tries different approaches, persists, solves problems, and has new ideas.
- Help children as needed to do what they are trying to do without taking over or directing
- Pay attention to how children engage in activities, the challenges faced, the effort, thought, learning and enjoyment. Talk more about the process than products.

Taken from characteristic of learning

What does National curriculum say?

- pupils observe, explore and ask questions about living things, materials and phenomena. *Science*
- pupils investigate the possibilities of a range of materials and processes
and identify what they might change in their current work or develop in their future work. *Art*
- pupils make decisions about which operations and problem-solving strategies to use
Maths
- vary their writing to suit the purpose and reader
Writing

And Ofsted?

- Pupils acquire knowledge and develop understanding quickly and securely in a wide range of subjects. They develop and apply a wide range of skills, in reading, writing, communication and mathematics. *good*
- Teachers and other adults generate high levels of engagement and commitment to learning across the whole school. *outstanding*
- Teachers listen to, carefully observe and skilfully question pupils during lessons in order to reshape tasks and explanations to improve learning. *good*

Take a look at resources

- What could you do to help the children learn?
- How could you model?
- What questions could you ask to move them on ?
- What feedback can you give to the children?
- What can you set up/resource to develop these skills