



Active learning@Home provides parents and caregivers with easy-to-do CAPS-based activities per Grade to support their children's learning at home

# Celebrating uniqueness with words and shapes

## Parent Corner

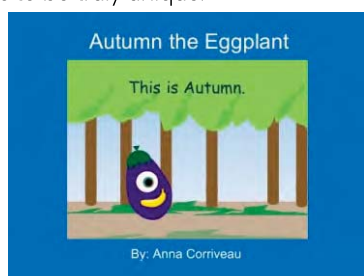
In *Active Learning@Home* today we are focusing on uniqueness. Your child will write a poem about this.

This is followed by an activity about the uniqueness of triangles.

It is also important to have fun and the game called *Bucket Ball*, is just right for that.

## Book of the day

**Autumn the Eggplant** is a story about an eggplant that is sad when others bully him, because he is different. When the others realize that what he has is more fun, they want to become like him. Autumn the Eggplant learns how important it is to be truly unique.



Read the story (for free) here:  
<https://www.storyjumper.com/book/read/2734712/Autumn-the-Eggplant#>

## Online Resources



FREE online applications (Apps) recognised by the Department of Basic Education (linked to the curriculum) are available.

These provide support materials in all languages for several Grades.

2Enable register here:  
<https://www.2enable.org/>

Also visit the DBE's Cloud at:  
<https://dbecloud.org.za>

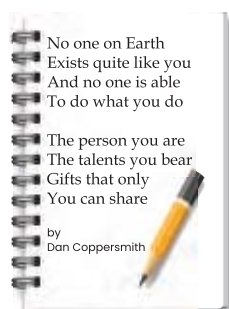
## Learning together is FUN

Do the following activities with your child. They are linked to the work that he or she is already doing in class. In this way you help him or her to stay up to date with his or her learning.

### I am a poet

A poem is a collection of words that show ideas and emotions to describe a theme. In this activity you will guide your child to **write a short poem** by using the theme of **uniqueness** (being one of a kind).

Ask him to write down 5 talents that he has that make him different to other people. For example, he could be a good singer or dancer, be talented at drawing, or even be good at crafting objects. After he has listed these, appreciate his talents and talk about them. Next, ask him to write a poem about his talents. You can help him by reading the following poem to him:



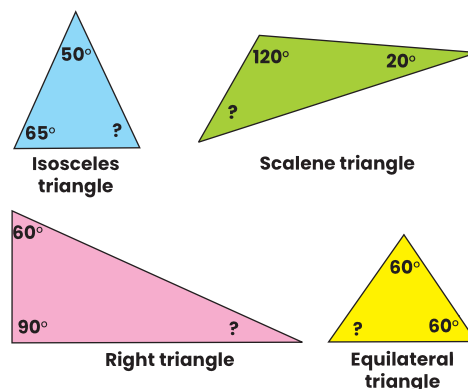
You can expand on this by asking him to pretend to be an animal and to write a poem about the qualities of his chosen animal.

### Inside the triangle

Triangles are special shapes. It does not matter what they look like, as long as they always have **3 sides** and **3 angles**.

Another special feature of triangles, is that when we measure their inside angles in degrees (the unit of measurement used to measure angles) the **sum of the 3 inside angles will always be 180 degrees**.

Explain this unique feature to your child and then ask her to look at the pictures below to determine the unknown values ("?").



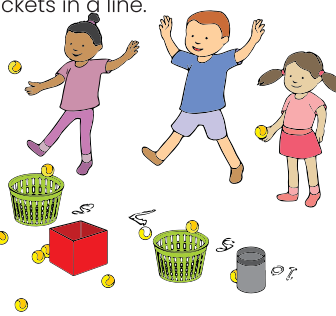
## Play today

**Bucketball.** You need 3 empty buckets (or containers) of different sizes and a few small balls (you can make some of old socks as well). Place the buckets in a line.

The players need to stand at least one metre from the buckets. Each player has a turn to try and throw a ball into one of the buckets. Make the game more exciting by giving each bucket a different value in points, for example:

- bucket 1 = 20 points,
- bucket 2 = 30 points and
- bucket 3 = 50 points.

The player with the most points at the end of the game wins. This game is not only fun but develops good concentration and aiming skills.



## Healthy Habits

Read  
every day!



Remember to keep it **PLAYFUL** and **FUN**. That is how children learn.