

Specialist Schools Trust: 2Simple Software Joint Project

Developing Learning Resources to support the work of the National Strategies

Name of school	Hartside Primary
Address	Hartside Close Crook County Durham DL15 9NN
Title of unit	Counting Book
Year group and term	Reception Term 2
Curriculum areas covered by work	Mathematical Development.
Main learning outcomes of unit of work	To make a counting book.
Description of work	Children used 2 Create a Story to draw a picture and add a simple caption. The story had to be a number counting story, i.e. 1 cat, 2 cakes, 3 chairs etc.
Brief description of how the ICT was embedded in the teaching of the unit	The Interactive Whiteboard is used daily as a tool for mark making and emergent writing. Children had been using cameras to take pictures of objects to put into our Talking Photo Album to make a counting story. The next step seemed to be trying to make a counting story using 2 Create a Story.
How did the use of ICT help the child's learning?	Children were very enthusiastic by the activity. Using 2 create a Story made them forget about the counting and recording of captions as they knew when they had the picture and caption done they could choose a way to make their page move and sound effects which really excited them.
Would you do anything differently next time?	Use it for Story telling and emergent writing more.
Other supporting resources	