



'The Gruffalo' by Julia Donaldson, is a firm favourite of the children so we have prepared some activities for you to undertake with them, relating to the story.

Prior to undertaking these activities we encourage you to listen to the story being read aloud on the following link...

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=s8sUPpPc8Ws>

Pencil control and creative expression

Draw a picture of The Gruffalo in the deep, dark wood. You can also draw the different animals that he meets while walking with mouse.

THE GRUFFALO

NAME: _____

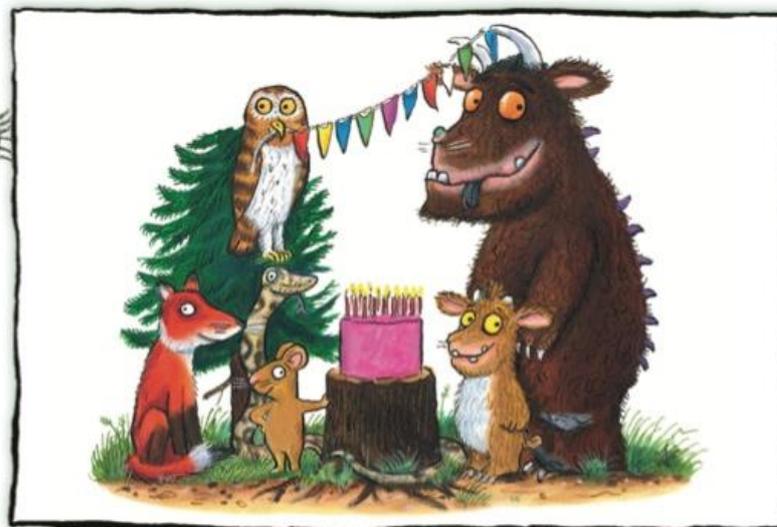
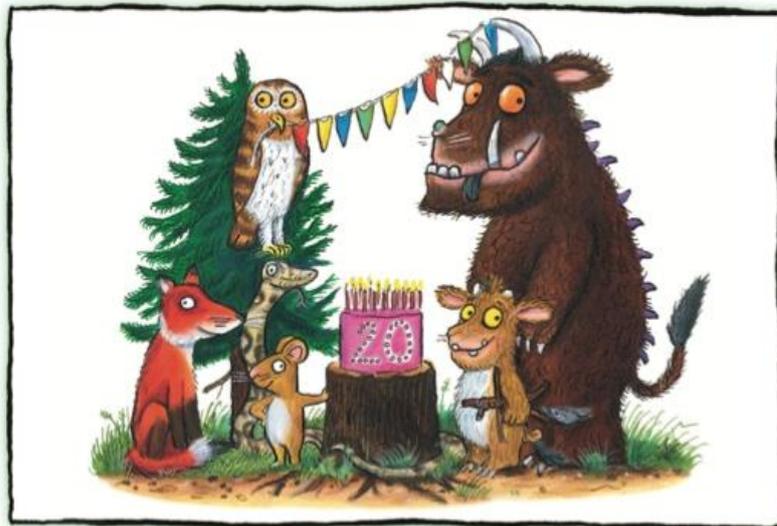
Visual discrimination

Encourage your child to look at small sections of the picture at a time. If needed, you can draw a 9 square, identical grid over both pictures so they can work square by square to help them focus. If they need further assistance use verbal cues to help them, for example you could say 'Let's look at each animal separately. First let's start with The Gruffalos child. Can you see any difference between the two baby Gruffalos?'



SPOT THE DIFFERENCE

Can you help the Gruffalo find 8 differences between these pictures?



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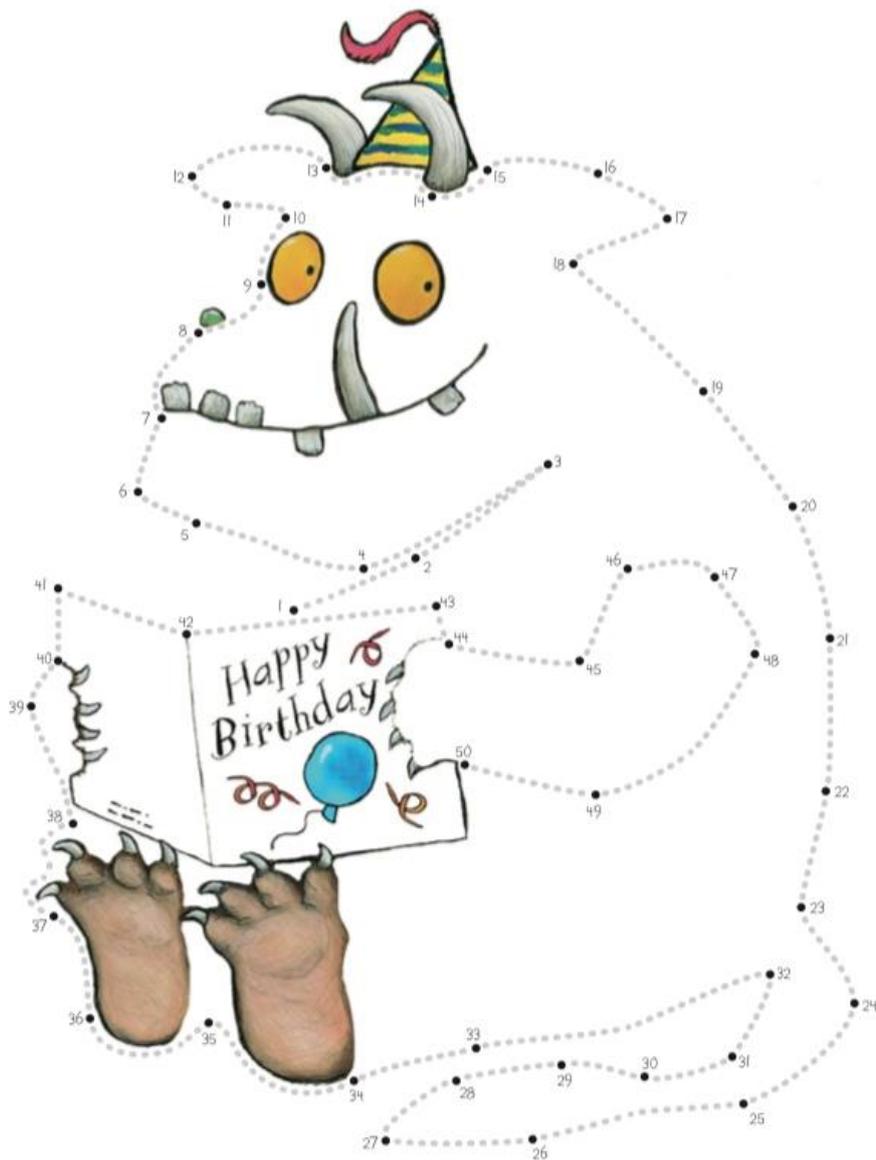
Pencil control

Do not worry about the numbers on this exercise as they are too big for the children. The aim of this activity is to practice pencil control. Your child should be encouraged to hold their pencil correctly and to take their time drawing on top of the dotted line to complete The Gruffalo picture.



DRAW THE GRUFFALO

Trace over the dotted lines and join the 50 dots ...



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Colouring

Look at a picture of the Gruffalo with your child, (an image from the story link above or google a coloured image). Ask them what colours they see and get them to point them out to you. Ask them specific questions such as 'What colour are The Gruffalos eyes?'. After this short discussion your child can begin to colour the below picture. Leave the original image in sight and see if they are able to copy it by colouring each body part the correct colour. Encourage them to hold their pencil correctly and to colour carefully, without scribbling.

