

Around the World!



Learning about different cultures link to the Squirrel Smile Award – I'm Friendly!

An introductory activity can be used as the Squirrels arrive at the meeting place – colouring or simple puzzles can keep children occupied until all the Drey arrives or use a 'joining-in' style game, such as 'The farmer wants a wife' or 'Duck, duck, goose' or a circle format ball game. Add snack time where necessary!

TIME (mins)	ACTIVITY	EQUIPMENT
5	Welcome, Register, Opening Ceremony, Introduction to Programme	
10	<p>GAME: Around the World Corners</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ <i>Place on the walls of the meeting place, large pictures of different landmarks - Eiffel Tower, Sydney Opera House, etc. - from cities around the world. These can be cut from holiday brochures, calendars or printed from the internet – check out www.activityvillage.co.uk for a good range of outline pictures which could also be used for colouring sheets!</i> ○ <i>A Leader calls out the country where the landmark is and the Squirrels run to the appropriate picture. If the Squirrels are unsure give them a few clues. If they don't recognise Australia, a few clues might be - 'this country is very hot', 'you might see kangaroos in this country', 'koalas eat eucalyptus leaves in this country'</i> 	Pictures Blutack
10	<p>ACTIVITY: Let's Wave and Say 'Hello'!</p> <p>Have fun singing this simple song to the familiar tune of 'A farmer wants a wife' while learning some greetings in different languages! Chat about the different countries the greetings come from!</p>	Words of song
5	<p>GAME: Hello Around the World</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ <i>Play the game 'Around the world corners' but this time when the Squirrels reach the picture they shout out the greeting from that country – in Australia they might say 'G'day!'</i> 	Pictures as above
10	<p>STORY: Choose a story from around the world. There are lots of myths and legends or animal stories from different countries – the local library should have a good selection – it might be fun to show the Squirrels a book written in a different language – Irish, Polish or Chinese (most libraries have a good stock of these books). Perhaps a parent or someone from the local community could read the story! The Usborne Stories from Around the World retold by Heather Amery beautifully decorated and illustrated by Linda Edwards. Why not look at the world map inside the cover, talk about the different pictures and then choose a country for a story! There are stories from Persia, Cambodia and the Czech Republic!</p>	Storybook



	<p>ACTIVITY: Fly Around the World How would we travel to say 'hello' to the people who live in another country. We might fly on an aeroplane – the Squirrels can make some simple paper planes and colour them to make them special! Have plenty of adult help and fold the paper step-by-step so no-one gets left behind!</p>	<p>A4 sheets of paper Simple instructions Art materials</p>
5	<p>GAME: Fly Fast, Fly Far!</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ Line the Squirrels across one end of the hall and let them fly their paper planes ○ They can take turns or all 'take off' together ○ See which plane has travelled the farthest! ○ <i>NB Ensure that no-one is in the flight path – including Leaders!</i> 	None
5	Closing, Home	

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Let's say 'hello' to all our friends

Let's wave and say 'Hello'

Let's wave and say 'Bonjour'

Let's wave and say 'Bonjour'

Let's say 'hello' to all our friends

Let's wave and say 'Bonjour'

Let's wave and say 'Ni Hao' (nee haw)

Let's wave and say 'Ni Hao'

Let's say 'hello' to all our friends

Let's wave and say 'Ni Hao'

Let's wave and say 'G'day'

Let's wave and say 'G'day'

Let's say 'hello' to all our friends

Let's wave and say 'G'day'

Ciao

Italian

Jambo

Swahili

Bonjour

French

Shalom

Hebrew

Hei

Finnish

Hola

Spanish

Dia dhuit

Irish

Dzien dobry

Polish

Aloha

Hawaiian

Ni hao

Mandarin

Guten Tag

German

G'day

Australian!!

