

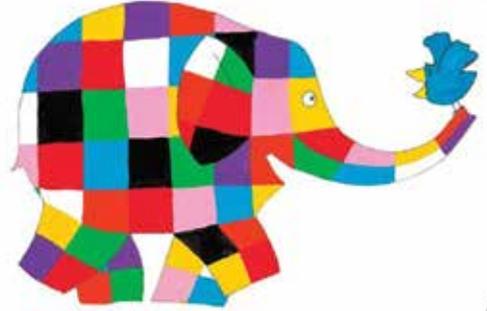
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**ELMER**

and

**FRIENDS**

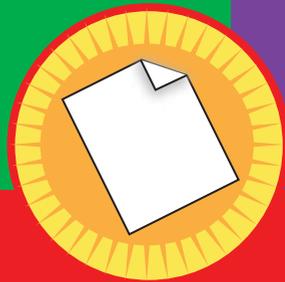
THE COLOURFUL WORLD OF DAVID MCKEE



An exhibition from Seven Stories, The National Centre for Children's Books

# Under 5s Adventure Trail

**Collect your magic  
paper when you  
start the trail and  
keep it safe.**



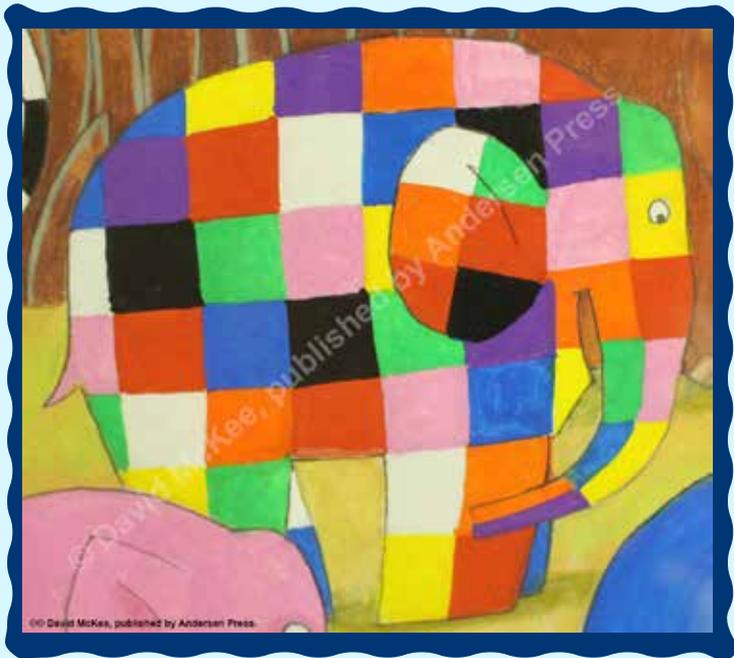
**You will need it  
to complete the  
challenges ahead!**

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The pictures in this room are from stories by an artist called David McKee. Follow this trail and meet the characters that live in his stories.

**1. One of David's stories is about an elephant called Elmer whose skin is all the colours of the rainbow.**

**Can you see him?**





## Can you sing the rainbow song?

*Red and yellow and pink and green  
Purple and orange and blue,  
I can sing a rainbow,  
Sing a rainbow,  
Sing a rainbow too.*

*Listen with your ears,  
Listen with your eyes,  
And sing everything you see!  
I can sing a rainbow,  
Sing a rainbow,  
Sing along with me...*



**Did you know?** A rainbow can happen at night! It is called a moonbow and looks white but all the rainbow colours are there.

# What colours can you see? Can you find something:



Red



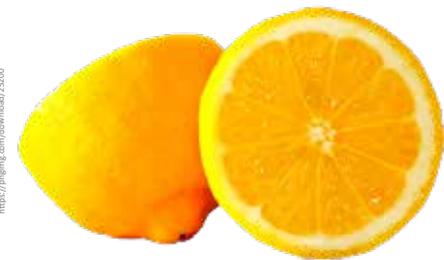
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Blue



Green



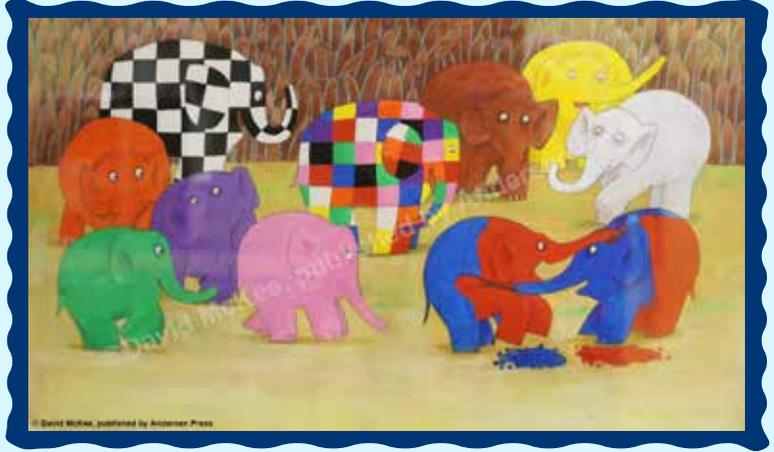
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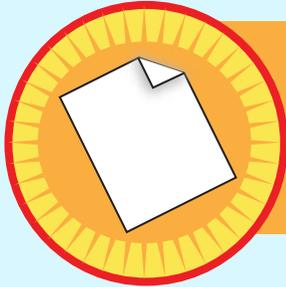
Orange

Well done, Elmer would be proud of  
all the colours you have found!

## 2. Can you see Elmer and his elephant friends?



In this picture they are about to have an elephant race!



**Can you help them get ready?**

Wave your magic paper like a flag and count down 3.....2.....1!

**STOMP YOUR FEET LIKE  
A HERD OF ELEPHANTS!**



**Did you know?** Elephants are the largest land mammal and can move at speeds of up to 25 miles per hour!

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# 3. Can you see Elmer in the jungle with his friends?



## Who can you see in the picture?



Lion



Monkey



Tiger

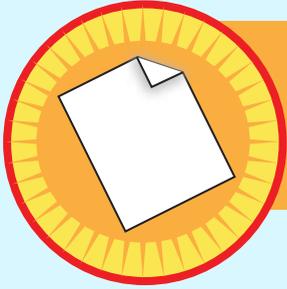


Hippo



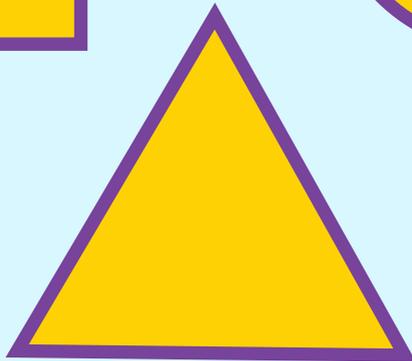
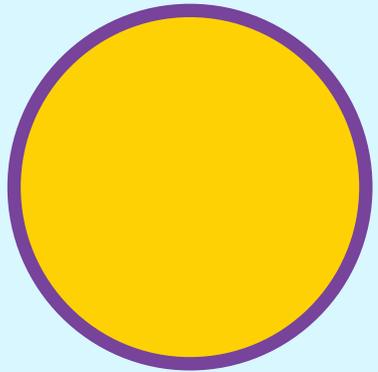
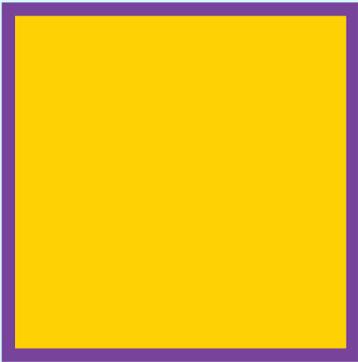
Crocodile

Elmer isn't just friends with other elephants. His friends are all different sizes, colours and shapes.



Roll up your magic paper into a viewfinder and hunt for shapes!

Can you find a square, circle, triangle?

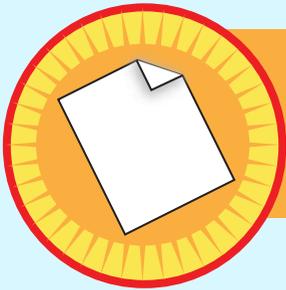


4. Can you find Elmer walking through some tall trees?

How many elephants can you count in this picture?



Can you see Super El flying in this sky?



Use your magic paper like a super hero cape.

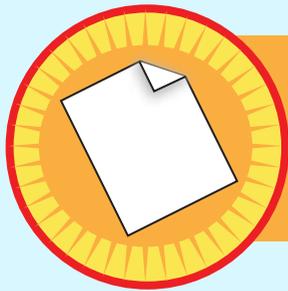
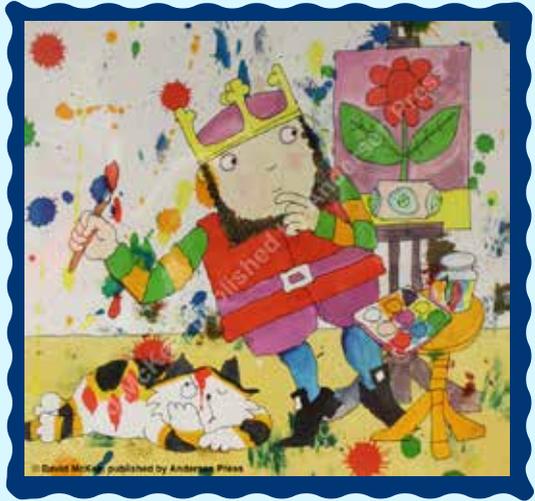
What would your super power be?



**Did you know?** Bats are the only mammals that can fly for a length of time.

## 8. Can you see King Rollo painting?

What has  
he painted?



Roll your magic paper into  
a paint brush.

Can you paint a:

big shape?

tiny shape?

Can you paint fast?

Can you paint slow?

Well done, you are a great painter  
like King Rollo and David McKee!



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**5. Can you see this purple monster?**

**How do you think the monster is feeling?**



**What noise do you think the monster would make?**

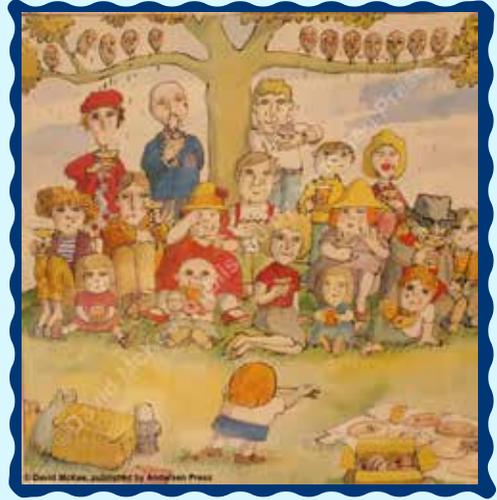
**Sing a song to cheer the monster up!**

If you're happy and you know it, clap your hands  
If you're happy and you know it, clap your hands  
If you're happy and you know it  
And you really want to show it  
If you're happy and you know it, clap your hands

Well done! You have made monster very happy.

# Complete your adventure upstairs!

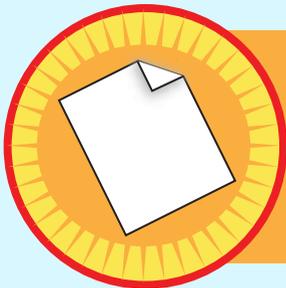
## 6. Can find Veronica playing her violin?



Violins work by moving the bow backwards and forwards over the strings.



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Roll your magic paper to make a bow and play your imaginary violin. What song will you play?

## 7. Can you see the Lion jumping?



Sing a song for lion and let him hear  
you roar!

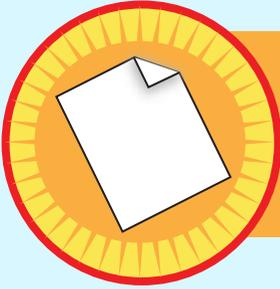
Walking in the jungle  
Walking in the jungle  
What can you see?  
What can you see?  
If you hear a noise?  
Roar, Roar  
What could it be?  
What could it be?



**Did you know?** A lion's roar can be  
heard from 5 miles away.



**Congratulations!** You have explored the jungle, flown with superheroes, met monsters and painted with a King and have finished your adventure.



Turn your magic paper into a crown to celebrate!

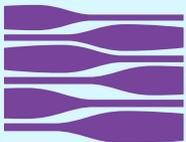
Who is your favourite character?



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