

INDUSTRY: CONSTRUCTION & STEM

ACTIVITY: HANDS ON LEARNING

ORGANISATION: HART & EILDON HOUSING

SCHOOL: ALL PRIMARY SCHOOLS



CONSTRUCTION IN A BOX

'Construction in a Box' is a 'kit' with a full set of resources designed to introduce primary pupils to the world of construction, as well as enhance learning and encourage them to consider careers using STEM subjects. There are five sets of resources across the Scottish Borders for all primary schools to access. The kits have been designed to be used in two ways: a presentation and hands on practical activities with pupils. The resource consists of a range of learning tools to inspire and enhance practical learning. Included in the kit there is construction models, Hi-Viz vests, safety ware and various practical hands on activities. The kit consists of 174 pieces and there will be a learning tool or activity which everyone can learn from.

To introduce pupils to 'Construction in a Box' we recommended that schools follow our short presentation and activities about the story of the Three Little Pigs. Teachers are supplied with a short script and notes on how to deliver the presentation. This can be delivered by a teacher, parent or industry expert. The presentation and activities take no longer than 1 hour. Not only does the session engage pupils but it gives them ideas on how they can use parts of the kit in the classroom when having free play. The second element of the box is the resources with a wide range of toys, books and learning resources teachers can use to enhance the learning experience of the pupils around careers within the construction industry.

Eildon Housing and Hart kindly sponsored the 'safety ware' of the boxes which included Hi-Viz and safety glasses. Schools can use the kits to form partnerships with local construction employers and bring the industry to life within the classroom.



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