

Camping Activities

Finish the scary story / Raconter une histoire effrayante

Scary stories around the fire are a big part of camping. Telling stories at home, while you're camping inside, is a fun activity the whole family can enjoy. Watch the video to see how a collaborative story can be a fun family activity.

Here are some story starter phrases to get you going:

- *When I turned on the TV that night, I couldn't believe my eyes...*
- *I woke up from my nightmare to find that ...*
- *Icy fingers curled themselves around my foot ...*
- *She opened the envelope to find a letter from the future ...*
- *The roller coaster stopped, and we were stuck upside down ...*



Français : Des histoires autour du feu sont très populaires quand on fait du camping. Raconter des histoires lorsqu'on fait du camping à l'intérieur de la maison, est une activité amusante pour toute la famille. Regardez la vidéo pour voir comment raconter une telle histoire.

Voici quelques idées pour vous aider à commencer votre histoire :

- *Lorsque j'ai ouvert mes yeux, j'ai remarqué que je n'étais plus dans ma maison ...*
- *Le son ressemblait à de la musique de piano et il venait de mon salon ...*
- *Elle a cassé le biscuit chinois mais sur le petit bout de papier il avait une carte ...*
- *Je pensais que c'était mon chien qui aboyait, mais en réalité le son venait de ...*
- *Mon téléphone qui n'avait plus de batterie commença à sonner ...*

Watch for animals, home edition

Use a variety of stuffed animals or plastic ones: have one person hide the toys throughout the house, then another person can find them. Have kids race to see who can find the most animals. Once animals are discovered, ask the kids to describe them. This helps build their vocabulary and their storytelling skills.

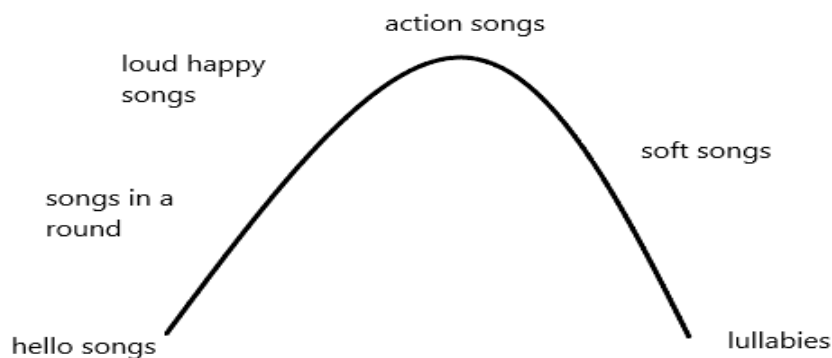


Sing-Along Fun

Along with gathering around a campfire for food and warmth came a long tradition of singing. You can sing any songs you like. You can teach your favourite song to each other and just enjoy hearing everyone's voices together.

Some people who lead large sing-a-longs suggest they are particularly great when they start out with quiet, welcoming songs, move into louder songs - even action songs - and then slow back down into quiet songs and lullabies.

Here are some different types of songs you could consider singing:



Tell Stories

Stories are often told around a campfire. You can take turns sharing stories or you can tell a story as a group by going around the circle and building a story together one sentence at a time as each person adds one statement to the story. Advanced storytellers can go one word at a time.

Look at the sky

If you're sitting around your campfire during the day, take a look out your closest window and see what the sky is telling you. If the sun is shining, take a look at the clouds. Wispy clouds high in the sky are a prediction of more sun. Heavy clouds closer to the ground mean rain or snow might be on its way.

Cloud shapes are also great for coming up with ideas for stories to tell.