

Matatalab Edu Activity/Lesson Plan:

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Classroom Key Information

Content-Related:

Computer Science Math Art Music
Science ELA Social Study Other _____

Time: 20 minutes Student Age: Reception

Complexity: ★ ★★ ★★★ ★★★★ ★★★★★
(★ stands for the easiest)

Activity/Lesson Key Information

Project Name: Positional and directional language

Big Idea: To create a city in which your Tale-Bot Pro can travel through to reach certain destinations.

Learning Outcomes:

- To use positional and directional language.
- To use simple coding for the Tale-Bot Pro to reach a chosen location.

Key Vocabulary:

forwards, backwards, left, right, turn, on, under, over, through, next to

Prior Knowledge:

Children will know how to use the functions of the Tale-Bot Pro prior to this activity.

Matatalab Products & Supplementary Materials

Coding Set Music Add-On Artist Add-On Pro Set
Animation Add-On Sensor Add-On Matatalab Lite
MATATA Map Tale-Bot Pro

Supplementary Materials

Construction toys, wooden blocks, small world toys

Detailed Activity/Lesson Plans

Matatalab Edu classic lesson

	Instructions step by step	Time
Lead in & Guided Activity	<p>Children sitting in a circle, with the Tale-Bot Pro in the middle of the mat. Provide different objects or pictures for positional and directional language.</p> <p>Activity 1: Explain to children that we are going to practise using our positional and directional language. E.g. Tale-Bot Pro hiding behind a tree.</p> <p>Tale-Bot Pro under a table. Tale-Bot Pro in a box. Tale-Bot Pro on a bridge. Ask children place Tale-Bot Pro and then say the positional language.</p> <p>Activity 2: Now, we are going to use our directional language. (Use Tale-Bot Pro map or own map) We are going to code our Tale-Bot Pro to move to a chosen location. I want the Tale-Bot Pro to go to the bridge. Talk about what instructions we need to give the bot the reach the destination. E.g. Forward 2 spaces, under the bridge, turn right, forward 2 spaces. When the Tale-Bot Pro reaches the location, demonstrate the language. The Tale-Bot Pro is next to the bridge.</p>	
Independent Activity	<p>Explain to children, we are going to create a mini city for our Tale-Bot Pro to travel through. Demonstrate to children using the wooden blocks. Create a city using the wooden blocks and place small world items around the city. E.g. car, bridge, animals. Model to children coding the Tale-Bot Pro to move in the made city. Use instructional and positional language.</p> <p>Give directions to children to move the Tale-Bot Pro. e.g. Move the Tale-Bot Pro to the red car. Give the instructions to a child to complete. Move forward 2 places, turn right, move forward one.</p> <p>Children to work in partners or a group.</p> <p>Children to work in pairs/ group to create a mini city out of the wooden blocks. Partner 1 – Choose a location for the Tale-Bot Pro to move to. Give instructions using the key vocabulary. Partner 2 – Follow directions.</p>	
Feedback & Extension	<p>For the extension, children can record their instructions and directions on the whiteboard for a friend to follow.</p>	

Essential Questions:

- Where is the Tale-Bot Pro ?
- How many spaces does the Tale-Bot Pro need to move?
- Which direction does the Tale-Bot Pro need to go?