

Activity Ideas: *Big-Point Recordable Button*

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Six colour coded recordable buttons with clear removeable lids to add visual support and help children to focus. You will discover many ways to use your Big-Point Buttons but here are 10 of our ideas to get you started.

1. *Storytelling*

Make Storytime more interactive. Use the buttons to record different sounds. Pupils will enjoy pressing the buttons at different parts in a story to create sound effects. Use pictures on the buttons so the children know when to press to get the right sound effect.

2. *Reinforce Vocabulary*

Use the buttons to reinforce words and ideas. Pupils will be able to see the word, associate the word with an image and hear the word to get the correct pronunciation of it.

3. *Ordering Thoughts*

The buttons can be helpful in story writing or for scientific explanations where facts need to be sequenced in the correct order. Use the buttons as visual and auditory prompts to help with memory to recall and organise language.

4. *Supporting Maths*

Use the colour coding of the buttons to ask mathematical questions or to set different maths challenges/extensions for children to choose at the end of a session. Or use as part of a maths display or activity. Each button could be used to describe shapes, provide all the vocabulary for addition, subtraction, multiplication or division, or give the number bonds for a particular number.

5. Asking Questions

Use as part of a display or on an activity table to ask questions and get the children thinking about what they are doing.

6. Express Emotions

Pupils can use the buttons to show how they are feeling. For example, pressing the red button when they are frustrated with something, or the blue button when they feel upset. The child can record onto the button to help regulate emotions.

7. Reading Support

Use the colour coded buttons for reading assessment focus questions. Great for using in Guided Reading sessions.

8. Encourage Listening

The buttons can be used for many meaningful listening exercises such as listen to and following instructions. Record different viewpoints on a subject and listen to each one and discuss.

9. Visual Timetable

A useful visual timetable or now and next Tiles. Use colours for different lessons, activities or tasks. You could have instructions or reminders to go with each one.

10. Model language

Scaffold sentences to build confidence. Encourage turn taking and give everyone a voice.