

Have you discovered a children's book which really supports maths? Whether this is a picture book or a storybook we would love to hear all about it so we can share how this has supported children in your setting and how it could support children in other settings.

Book Review

Title of book: **Junk DNA**

Name of author: **Clare Thompson**

Number of stars given (please circle): 1 2 3 4 **5**

Where can you purchase a copy: **Etsy £8.00**



What did you like about the book?

This book is filled with transient art pictures with a range of different things to see and discuss. There are no words which allows children to create and tell multiple stories and to notice different things every time they access the book.

This book can be left out with a range of transient art materials the same as in the book and children can re-create and add their own creations.

What elements of maths did it cover?

What doesn't it cover!! Counting, subitising, shape, pattern, measures, there is so many elements covered in images in this book and practitioners can use it time and time again with a different focus.



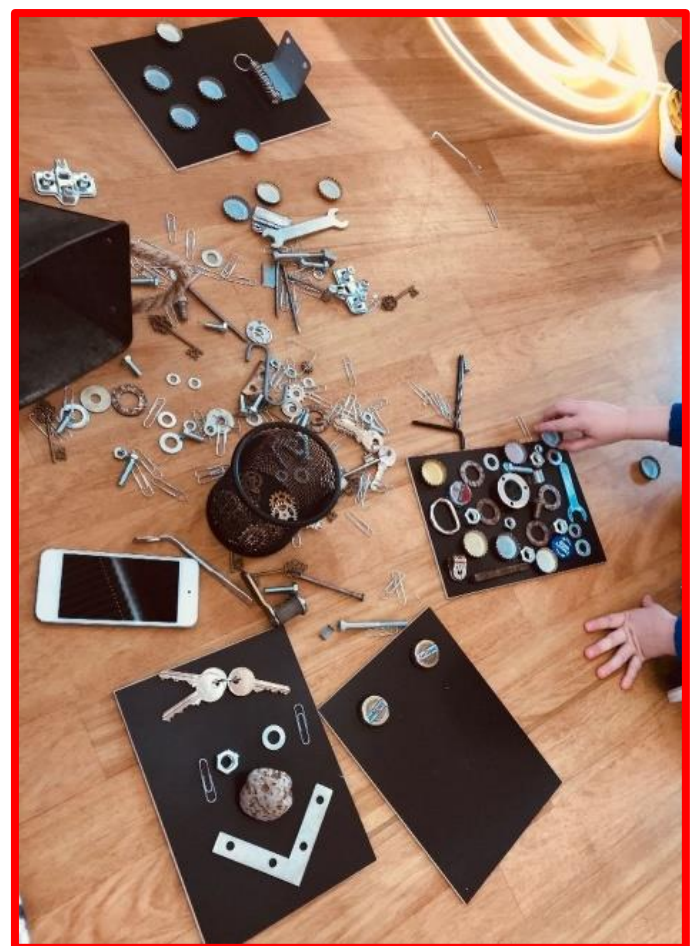
What did the children say about the book?

Children love the book. They talk about what they can see, what they notice. Children bring their own knowledge and understanding and share what they know and what they see with each other.

How did you extend the learning after reading the story?

Collections of loose transient art resources the same or similar to those in the book were collected and made available for children to create and explore with the book left out alongside. Bases such as pieces of card or cut offs of wood provided as a frame for creations.

Did children take part in any activities linked to the book or reflect the book in their play? (include photos if possible)



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