Starting with a Story

These activities and ideas are based around the book “Supertato” by Sue Hendra & Paul Linnet. All activities could be done without the book!
Other linked stories to read and enjoy.
All our activities can be used with these books as well!
A trap for the Evil Pea

In “Supertato” the Evil Pea is up to no good. We must keep him frozen! See if you can make your own trap for him! Have a look around the house for something you could make a trap for him with!
Talking Together
Use your maths skills to make a trap. Remember he is small so what might you have to make sure he doesn’t escape?
Could you use a box? Remember we just want to trap him so he will need holes to breathe!
Do we need to check he is in there? How will we see?
Check in your freezer – do you have any peas in there? What other vegetables need to be frozen to keep them in control? Could you make a list of all your frozen veggies?
How many do you have?
Are the bags full or half full?
Jelly traps!

In the story “Supertato” the pea gets trapped in jelly!

What other veggies or characters could you trap in jelly?

Use your maths skills to make jelly traps!

Will it be a tiny trap?
Talking Together

You will need:

1. Jelly cubes or jelly powder
2. A microwave and a measuring jug
3. Water
4. Something to trap... a container to trap it in - be as inventive as you like!

Follow the instructions on the packet with your grown up measuring the water. Cut your cubes up with scissors - I always like to see how many ways I can stick these back together!

Show us what you have trapped in your jelly!
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Shhhhh! Just for grown ups!
Talking Together

Grown ups we all know now that this pea gets up to no good. As an extension of the fun, an idea children love is to use green hair gel around the house or garden to show the evil pea has visited!

(Sqirts of green washing up liquid work just as well although can get foamy!)

You can create all sorts of things that might have gone wrong around the house. You could even create an evil pea crime scene!

All this just keeps the maths going!

You can use this to make more evil maths notes or as an incentive to trap him!

Or just for fun!