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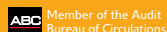
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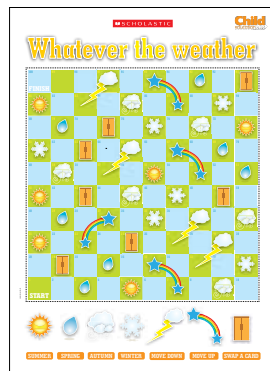
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**W**hether you love them or hate them, zoos are one of the only ways for children to see wild animals. In this month's issue children get to learn about animal welfare and protection by spending the day following Zahra the zookeeper around his zoo (pages 12–17). There's also a great set of 'Tell me why!' cards to consolidate their animal knowledge (18–19). Subscribers can then let children put their new skills to the test by running our interactive zoo while Zahra is on holiday. It's not as easy as it sounds! If that's not enough, we've also got a new series starting

called 'Fun with felt' (40–41). This month Jane Bower shows you how to make animal finger puppets and badges – a sure hit in the classroom! With the summer supposedly just starting (but who can tell with the British weather?) we've created a fun weather-related board game to teach children about the changing seasons (49). Finally, Sue Palmer will be in our online forum on 25 May chatting about toxic childhood, 21st century boys, the media and the Rose Review. So do log on and ask her a question. **Charlotte Ronalds, Acting Editor**



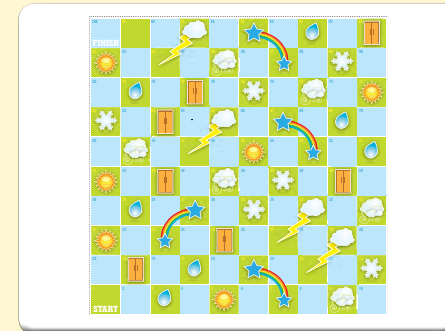
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### Interactive resources

**12 At the zoo:** challenge groups of children to be zookeepers and tend to the animals with this interactive game!



**49 Whatever the weather:** Snakes and ladders-style board game.



**23 Literacy skills:** free games and worksheets to go with the activities



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**50 Dance Dynamics – Jungle jive:** a PowerPoint teaching this month's dance routine.

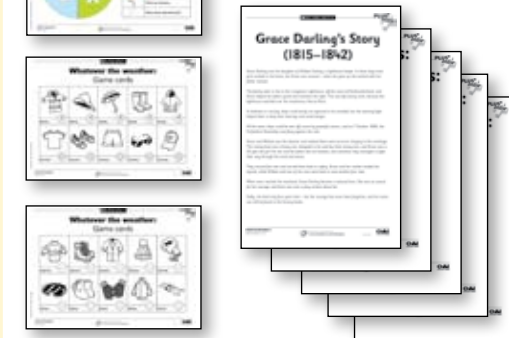
### Also online this month

**12 At the zoo worksheets:** a selection of funny animal colouring-in scenes and activities to be used alongside the poster and creative topic.



**49 Whatever the weather:** a spinner, reference chart, game cards and instructions.

**33 Grace Darling:** an amusing play about a very brave woman, written exclusively for *ChildEd PLUS* by Clare Bevan.



**Science Spies:** these are the last two missions to be added online, so don't miss them. Over and out! And keep popping online to check out any new articles we may add...

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