



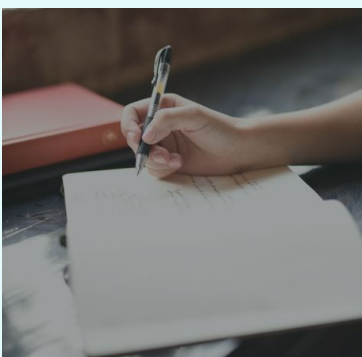
## Doll, toys and games

This cabinet in the Literary Gallery contains a doll, the Jane Austen stamps, and various children's games of the Regency era. This week we are thinking about childhood, play and games.



## Tips and Ideas

- Read extensively to learn from writers you admire.
- Write about a thing rather than an abstract idea.
- 'Put your ear down close to your soul and listen hard.'  
(Anne Sexton)



## Writing prompts

- Free write about a game you used to enjoy as a child.
- Write lists of items in your kitchen cupboards, colour palettes, wildlife in your garden, or from your window.
- Focus on one object in your home and use it as inspiration to make up a new game, and include the rules of play.
- Shape this into a poem, prose or story. Include ideas from your lists, and give the game a name.

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