Home Learning Activities

Compiled for Preschoolers & Toddlers

using the *Just Reed & Play Blog*

and other internet recourses

Activities for younger children are near the end of this document.

"Preschool" activities are kids in Rainbow, Orange, Gold, Brown, & Purple

Preschool Home Learning Activities

Week 1	Literacy	Math	Other Ideas
DAY 1	Sing the ABC song. If you have Alphabet flash cards, point to the letters as you sing them. Have your child practice writing their name.	Count to 30 with your child. Ask your child to make an AB pattern with two things (ex. fork, spoon, fork, spoon. Or red, yellow, red, yellow)	Watch "Pete the Cat- I Love my White Shoes" on Youtube. Ask your child to find something of each color in your house.
DAY 2	Ask your child to name a word that rhymes with: cat, stop, pan, rug, net, and pig. Have your child practice writing their name.	Help your child count 20 objects by touching just one item at a time. You could count buttons, pennies, etc.	Go on a nature scavenger hunt in your back yard. Can you find: a twig, a leaf, a flower, and an insect?
DAY 3	Syllable Clapping- Ask your child to clap and count how many syllables are in these words: hippo, alligator, bird, elephant, puppy, cat, rhinoceros, flamingo, zebra, cow.	Shape Hunt. Ask your child to find examples of these shapes around the house or yard: circle, square, triangle, rectangle, oval, and diamond.	Play a game with a small toy. Ask your child to put it- over their head, under their chin, behind their back, between their knees, on their lap, and beside their foot.
DAY 4	Read a book with your child. Ask them questions: Who are the characters? What happened in the story? What do you think will happen next?	Count to 30 with your child. Have your child draw a picture with: 1 sun, 3 trees, and 5 flowers. Ask them how many things they drew in all and help them count them- (9)	Help your child practice learning their address and the emergency phone number (911). Talk about what to do in an emergency.
DAY 5	Have your child practice writing their name. Write a random letter on paper. See if your child can name the letter and the sound it makes. Do this for 10 letters.	Search around the house for something: longer than a pencil, shorter than your shoe, heavier than a book, and lighter than a pillow.	Play "I Spy" with your child. Give them clues and see if they can figure out what you see.

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Week 2	Literacy	Math	Other Ideas
DAY 1	Read a book to your child. Have them draw a picture of their favorite part of the story and then tell you about it.	Count to 30 with your child. Call out a number from 1-10 and see if your child can tell you what number comes next or what number comes before.	Day or Night- Call out an activity and have your child decide if it would happen in the day or the night (ex. go to bed, eat breakfast, go to school, sleep, etc.)
DAY 2	Have your child practice writing their name. Recite nursery rhymes with your child (Humpty Dumpty, Jack and Jill, Mary Had a Little Lamb, etc.)	Have your child make an ABC pattern with 3 different kinds of items (ex. button, penny, q-tip, button, penny, q-tip or red, yellow, blue, red, yellow, blue)	Gross Motor Fun- Call out a movement and have your child complete it (ex. hop on one foot, touch your toes, spin around, kick in the air, act like you're climbing a ladder, etc.)
DAY 3	Syllable Clapping- Ask your child to clap and count how many syllables are in these words: dinosaur, sunshine, jump, suitcase, potato, happy, meatball, fun, firefighter	Number Hunt: Walk around your house and have your child find and name as many numbers as they can. They can also search in a magazine or book for numbers.	Fine Motor Fun- Give your child some playdoh and have them roll it out like a snake. Then have them use child-safe scissors to cut it into small pieces.
DAY 4	Play the animal alphabet game. Name a letter and sound and see if your child can think of an animal that begins with it. (Ex. A /a/ alligator)	Give your child several different objects and ask them to sort the items. They could sort them by: size, shape, color, or type. (Ex. All the soft things, all the blue things, etc.)	When I Grow Up- Help your child think of a list of jobs. Then have them draw a picture of what they want to be when they grow up.
DAY 5	Play "Thumbs Up if it rhymes; Thumbs Down if it doesn't rhyme" with these word pairs: cat/mat, house/hat, up/cup, meat/seat, when/white, tree/bee, lip/list.	Help your child count the forks and spoons in your kitchen. Ask them: Which one has more? Which one has less?	Practice acting out opposites with your child: up/down, little/big, tall/short, near/far, happy/sad, good/bad, awake/asleep, hot/cold

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Week 3	Literacy	Math	Other Ideas
DAY 1	Have your child practice writing their name. Ask your child to tell you the beginning sound for each word: apple /a/, monkey /m/, dog /d/, rocket /r/, sun /s/, log /s/, up /u/	Walk around the house with your child and help them count how many windows are in your house.	Living or Nonliving- Ask your child to categorize each of these: dog, flower, book, moon, insect, tree, pencil, fish, pizza, snake, star, house, person, crab, grass
DAY 2	Say "I like to eat…" and then name a word that rhymes with a food. See if your child can guess the food. (ex. pacaroni, wizza, motdogs, tread, bandy, totton tandy, etc.)	Have your child make an ABB pattern with 2 different types of objects (ex. spoon, fork, fork, spoon, fork, fork; or blue, yellow, yellow, blue, yellow, yellow)	Help at home- Teach your child one or two chores (like folding their clothes, helping to dust or vacuum, etc.). Tell them that is their new job to help around the house.
DAY 3	Sing the alphabet song with your child. Read a book together and see if you can find and point to each letter of the alphabet in the book.	Ziploc Bag Number Game- Write a number on a Ziploc bag and see if your child can put that many objects in the bag. (ex. 5- child puts 5 buttons in the bag)	Help your child learn their last name as well as their birthday. Help them count how many days until their birthday.
DAY 4	Read a book to your child. Have them retell the beginning, middle, and end of the story.	Draw the following shapes and have your child try to copy them: square, circle, triangle, rectangle, oval. Help them count how many sides and corners each shape has.	Weather Watch- Help your child make a chart and draw a picture of the weather for the next 5 days. (sun, cloud, rain, etc.)
DAY 5	Clap and count the syllables in each of these words: pizza, hamburger, macaroni, hotdog, strawberry, apple, taco, bean, bread, raspberry	Help your child count by 10's to 100. 10,20,30,40,50,60,70,80, 90,100 (whisper it, shout it, count in a baby voice, count in a robot voice)	Talk about emotions. Have your child make a face/expression to match each: happy, sad, angry, silly, bored, tired, grumpy, excited

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Week 4	Literacy	Math	Other Ideas
DAY 1	Syllable clapping- Ask your child to clap and count how many syllables are in these words: potato, pizza, macaroni, hotdog, bun, taco, cheese, banana	Act out this problem with toys: I had 2 toys. My mom got me 3 more toys. How many toys do I have in all? Now write a number sentence together: (2+3=5)	Shadow Tracing- Take some toys outside and place them beside a piece of white paper. Have your child trace each toy's shadow.
DAY 2	Ask your child to tell you a sentence about their family. Write down the words as they say them. Together, count how many words are in the sentence. Let them draw a picture of their family.	Help your child count 20 objects by touching just one item at a time. You could count buttons, pennies, etc.	Have your child practice tying shoes. Look for a youtube video they can watch if needed to show them some tips and tricks to make it easier.
DAY 3	Point to the letters on an alphabet chart. Have your child name the letter and the letter sound. See if they can think of another word that begins with that letter sound.	Gather 5 pennies. Have your child close their eyes. Put a few of the pennies under a cup. See if your child can figure out how many pennies are hiding. Repeat.	Write a letter to a friend. Let your child draw a picture and dictate a few sentences. Show them how you write the address and put it in the mailbox.
DAY 4	Read a book with your child. Ask them questions: What happened at the beginning of the story? What happened at the end?	See if your child can use 2 household items to make an ABB pattern (ex. fork, spoon, spoon, fork spoon, spoon).	Go outside and find 3 different kinds of flowers or weeds. Have your child tell you how they are alike and how they are different.
DAY 5	Have your child practice writing their name. See how many letters of the alphabet your child can write independently.	Number jump- write numbers 1-10 on pieces of paper and spread them out. Call out a number and have your child hop onto that number.	Play "Simon Says". Call out a command and your child can only do it if you say "Simon Says." (Ex. Hop on one foot, spin, touch your toes, jump up and down, sit, etc.)

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Week 5	Literacy	Math	Other Ideas
DAY 1	Read a book to your child. Have them draw a picture of their favorite part of the story and then tell you about it.	Cut out strips of paper in different lengths. Ask your child to put them in order from shortest to longest.	Sing "If You're Happy and You know it". Ask your child how they feel in different scenarios- lose something, get a new pet, go to school, have a birthday, etc.
DAY 2	Have your child practice writing their name. Recite these nursery rhymes with your child: Twinkle Twinkle Little Star, Hey Diddle Diddle, & Baa Baa Black Sheep	Give your child some pennies and dimes. Have them line them up side by side to make a picture graph. Have them count how many are in each group. Ask them: Which group has more?	Go for a walk together. See how many living things you can spot on your walk. (ex. flowers, grass, dogs, birds, squirrels, etc.)
DAY 3	Write capital letters and lower case letters on separate index cards. See if your child can match each lower case letter to its capital letter.	Help your child count to 30. Call out a number from 1-10 and have your child hold up that many fingers to represent that number.	Fine Motor Fun- Give your child some plastic straws and string. Let them cut the straws into short sections and place them on the string to make a necklace.
DAY 4	Rhyme Time: Have your child name a word that rhymes with each of the following: hop, cat, nut, sit, wish, ball, dog, net, pie	Draw some shapes on paper. (Square, circle, oval, rectangle, triangle.) See if your child can name each shape. Let them use child-safe scissors to try to cut out each shape.	Spray some white foamy shaving cream on the counter. Let your child "write" in it with their finger. Be sure they don't get it in their eyes!
DAY 5	Read a book together. Ask your child to point to the cover, the spine, and the title. Ask them what the author does (writes the book) and what the illustrator does (draws the pictures).	How many shoes are in your room? Ask your child to guess. Then take them to their room and count each shoe together.	Start a "Moon Diary" with your child. Draw a picture of the moon each night and talk about how it changes over time.

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Week 6	Literacy	Math	Other Ideas
DAY 1	Have your child practice writing their name. Ask your child to tell you the beginning sound for each word: house /h/, nut /n/, astronaut /a/, log /l/, red /r/, mouse /m/, kite /k/	Write numbers 1-10 on separate cards. Have your child randomly choose a card and count out that many items to go with that card. Repeat until finished.	Scoop and Pour- Give your child several different sized containers and a bucket of water. Let them measure, scoop, and pour.
DAY 2	Silly Rhyming: Say "I see a____" but substitute a rhyming word. See if your child can figure out what you see. Ex: I see a bofa (sofa). I see a mog (dog).	Have your child draw circles with crayons to make an ABC pattern: (ex. pink, purple, purple, pink, purple, purple). See how many different color patterns they can make.	Fine Motor Fun- Let your child use playdoh and cookie cutters to build fine motor strength.
DAY 3	Sing the alphabet song with your child. Read a book together. Stop periodically to ask your child a question. Ex. What do you think will happen next?	Make a pretend ruler if you don't have a real one. Have your child use it to measure items around the house. Show them how to read the numbers on the ruler.	Sing and act out "5 Little Monkeys" jumping on the bed. (using the floor instead of the bed!). Have your child practice subtracting 1 each time.
DAY 4	Write the word Rainbow. Ask your child to help you count the letters. Draw a dot under each letter as you count. Have them try to copy the word.	Call out "Find me a...." and name a random shape. See how quickly your child can point to something of that shape.	5 Senses: Get some type of food out. Have your child tell you what it looks like, smells like, feels like, sounds like, and tastes like.
DAY 5	Clap and count the syllables in each of these words: car, airplane, train, submarine, motorcycle, bike, helicopter, truck	Watch "Count to 100" with Jack Hartmann for your child to exercise and practice counting to 100.	Insect Investigation. See if you can catch a firefly or ladybug and put it in a jar with leaves and air holes for 1-2 days. Let your child observe it before releasing it.

PRESCHOOL HOME LEARNING

4-5 YEAR OLDS

- Have your child practice writing their name.
- Ask your child to tell you the beginning sound for each word: apple /a/, monkey /m/, dog /d/, rocket /r/, sun /s/, log /l/, up /u/

- Walk around the house with your child and have them count how many windows there are.
- Recite the poem "One, Two, Buckle my shoe" with your child.

- Storytime: Listen to Where the Wild Things Are on YouTube. At the end of the story, ask your child to summarize what happened in the book.

- Brain Break: Sing along to "Wild Things" by The Learning Station.

Link to Where the Wild Things Are: https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=yR7EkrPGFQM

Link to "Wild Things" song: https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=axsBas5ynr8

PRESCHOOL HOME LEARNING

4-5 YEAR OLDS

- Play a silly rhyming game. Say "I like to eat....." and then name a silly word that rhymes with a food. See if your child can guess the food. (Ex. I like to eat boodles (noodles). I like to eat meatza (pizza)."
- Make a letter sound and see if your child can name the letter that makes that sound.

- Have your child make an ABB pattern with 2 different types of objects. (ex. fork, spoon, spoon, fork, spoon, spoon)
- Let your child pick 5 flowers or weeds from the yard. Have them line them up in order from shortest to tallest.

- Storytime: Listen to The Day the Crayons Quit on YouTube. At the end of the story, ask your child what their favorite color is. Have them draw a picture with that color.

- Brain Break: Sing along to "Animal Dance and Freeze" by Jack Hartmann

Link to The Day the Crayons Quit: https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=489micE6eHU

Link to Animal Dance and Freeze: https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=HpOe8Ingp_o

PRESCHOOL HOME LEARNING

4-5 YEAR OLDS

- Syllable Clapping- Ask your child to clap and count how many syllables (or beats) are in each of these words: dinosaur, sunshine, jump, suitcase, potato, happy, meatball, fun, firefighter.
- Pantry Letter Hunt- Look in the pantry and see what letters you can identify on some of the boxes and bags.

- Number Hunt- Walk around your house and yard and have your child point out any numbers they see. Can they name the number? (Hint: Look at clocks, magazines, signs, toys, etc.)
- Help your child count by 10's to 100.

- Storytime: Listen to The Three Little Pigs on YouTube. At the end of the story, ask your child what they heard repeated over and over in the story ("Little pig, little pig. Let me come in." "Not by the hair of my chinny chin chin!")

- Brain Break: Sing along to "3 Little Pig Blues" on Youtube.

Link for 3 Little Pigs story: https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=HtHjB6rRmQc

Link for 3 Little Pigs Blues song: https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=iCJ461ynufk

- Read a book to your child. If you don't have a book at home, search for one being read aloud on YouTube. After reading, ask your child to draw their favorite part of the story. Then have them dictate a sentence about their picture while you write it down for them.
- Have your child practice writing their name.

- Practice counting to 30 with your child.
- Write the numbers 1-10 on individual cards. Hold up a card and see if your child can name that numeral.
- See if your child can tell you what number would come next.
- Have your child try to arrange the number cards in order.

- Storytime: Listen to Click, Clack, Moo: Cows that Type on YouTube. Stop just before the story is over and ask your child to predict what might happen. Then finish the story and see if their guess was right.

- Brain Break: Sing along to "Herman the Worm" by The Learning Station. Your child will giggle and love the ending!

Link to Click, Clack, Moo: https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=3rhGzj6Dt1E

Link to Herman the Worm: https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=0-rg7EIt1x4

Home Learning Activities for 4&5 Year Olds

- Have your child practice writing their name.
- Write a random letter on a piece of paper. See if your child can name the letter and the sound it makes. Do this for ten different letters.
- Search around the house for something: longer than a pencil, shorter than your shoe, heavier than a book, and lighter than a pillow.
- Play "I Spy" with your child. Give them clues and see if they can figure out what you see.
- Storytime- Watch "Miss Booksy" tell the story of Goldilocks and the 3 Bears.
- Brain Break- Sing along to "Apples and Bananas" by The Learning Station.

Link to Miss Booksy's 3 Bears story- https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=Bt5BtFpUKS0

Link to "Apples and Bananas"- https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=lNNMknj0PyE

Home Learning Activities for 4&5 Year Olds

- Read a book with your child. Ask them these questions: Who are the characters? What happened in the story? What do you think will happen next?
- Count to 30 with your child. Have your child draw a picture with: 1 sun, 3 trees, and 5 flowers. Ask them how many things they drew in all and help them count them (9 in all).
- Help your child practice learning their address and the emergency phone number (911). Talk about what to do in case of an emergency.
- Storytime- Listen to one of the books on Vooks. (Remember to sign up for a free 30 day membership)
- Brain Break- Dance along to "Move it to the Sounds" by Jack Hartmann.

Link to Vooks (free 30 day membership for parents)- https://www.vooks.com/parent-resources

Link to "Move it to the Sounds"- https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=7JvkWXBY2eY

Home Learning Activities for 4&5 Year Olds

- Ask your child to clap and count how many syllables (or beats) are in these words: hippo, alligator, bird, elephant, puppy, cat, rhinoceros, flamingo, zebra, cow.

- Have a shape hunt. Ask your child to find examples of these shapes around the house or yard: circle, square, triangle, rectangle, oval, and diamond.

- Play a game with a small toy. Ask your child to put it: over their head, under their chin, behind their back, between their knees, on their lap, and beside their foot.

- Storytime- Listen to *The Bad Seed.* Ask your child how they can be a good seed.

- Brain Break- Sing along to "Pop See Ko" by Koo Koo Kangaroo.

Link to The Bad Seed- https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=6uK-gIuI8DU

Link to Pop See Ko- https://www.youtube.com/watch…

Home Learning Activities for 4&5 Year Olds

- Ask your child to name a word that rhymes with each of the following: cat, stop, pan, rug, net, and pig.
- Have your child practice writing their name.

- Help your child count 20 objects by touching just one item at a time. You could count pennies, buttons, etc.
- Help your child practice writing the numbers 1 -5.

- Storytime- Sign your child up for a one month FREE trial of Vooks story streaming app. Choose a book to listen to together once you sign up.

- Brain Break- Sing along to "Going on a Bear Hunt" by Dr. Jean.

Link to Vooks to sign up for FREE 30 day membership: https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=E_pfVrVyNEk&t=248s

Link to "Going on a Bear Hunt" song: https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=E_pfVrVyNEk&t=248s

Home Learning Activities for 4&5 Year Olds

- Sing the ABC song.
- Have your child practice writing their name.
- Watch Jack Hartmann's video for "See It, Say It, Sign It" to practice the alphabet in sign language.

- Count to 30 with your child.
- Ask your child to make an AB pattern with two types of things (ex. fork, spoon, fork, spoon or red, blue, red, blue)

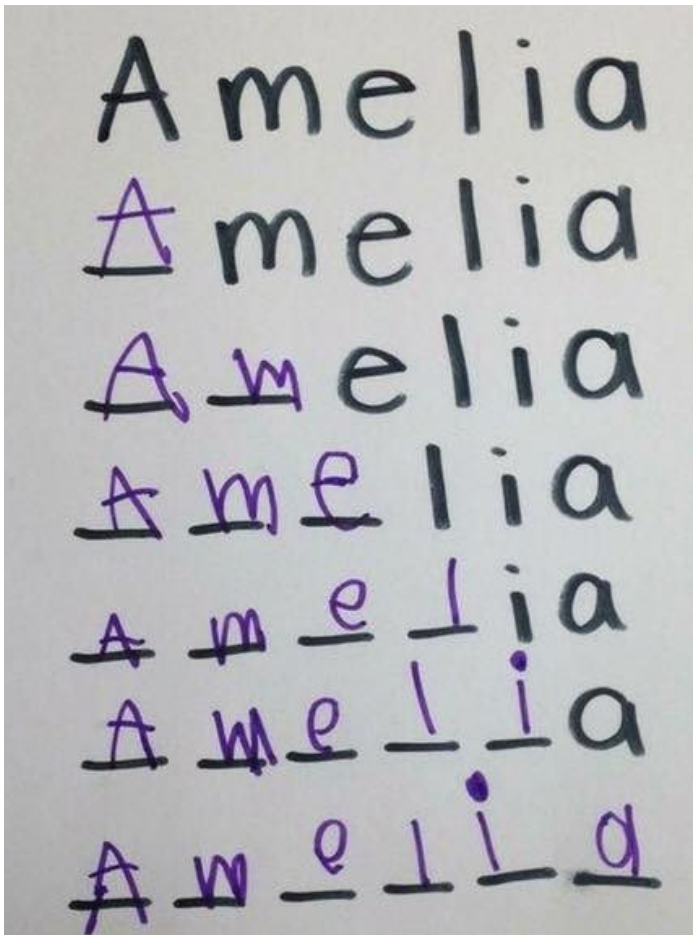
- Storytime- Watch *Pete the Cat- I Love my White Shoes* on YouTube. Ask your child to find something of each color in your house.

- Brain Break- Sing along to "Milkshake" on Gonoodle.

Link to Jack Hartmann's song: https://m.youtube.com/watch?v=WP1blVh1ZQM

Link to Pete the Cat I Love my White Shoes- https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=v6Lp9SHN4-M&t=1s

Link to "Milkshake" song- https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=dNL6RwymoNg



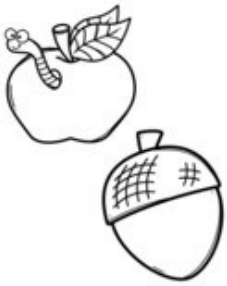
ALPHABET PUZZLE EXTENSION ACTIVITIES

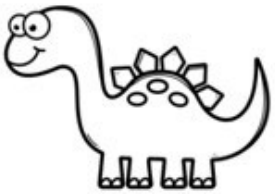
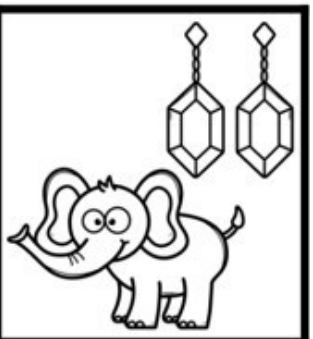
1. Alphabet Attributes- Place the letter puzzle pieces in a bag. Have children reach inside and feel the letter rather than look at it. See if they can guess the letter based on its physical attributes only. Take it out and see if they were right. Then place it on the puzzle.
2. Capital and Lower Case Letter Matching- Remove only the lower case letters from the puzzle. Turn over a sand timer and see if you can "beat the clock" as you place the lower case letters beside their matching capital letters.
3. Unwrap the Alphabet- Wrap each letter in a piece of aluminum foil or gift wrap. Place the wrapped letters in a basket. Take out one letter a time and unwrap it. Then name the letter and the sound before placing it on the puzzle.
4. Letter Sounds Bingo Board- Print out the letter sounds board. Name a picture and the sound that letter makes (all will be the beginning sound except for X. In that case, ax, it will be the ending sound). For instance, see the picture of the "jellyfish" on the board and say "Jellyfish- /J/ - J). Then remove the letter J from the puzzle. Cross out that picture on the board and keep going.

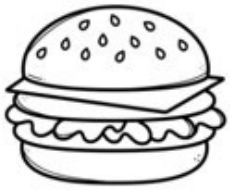
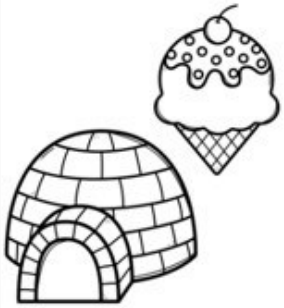
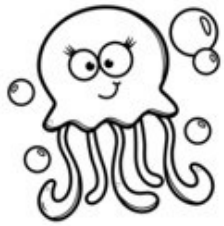
ALPHABET PUZZLE EXTENSION ACTIVITIES

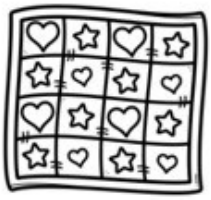
5. Roll, Count, and Build- Roll a die. Name the numeral and remove that many letters from the puzzle. As you remove each letter, name something that begins with that letter. When the puzzle is all clear, reverse play and this time when you roll the die, count out that many letter pieces to add back to the puzzle. This time, name the letter sound as you add them back.

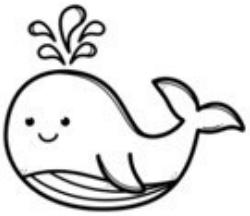
The puzzle I used for these activities is from Oriental Trading.







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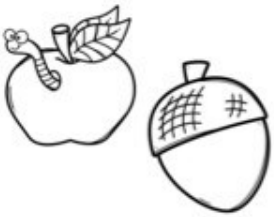

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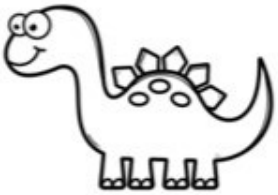

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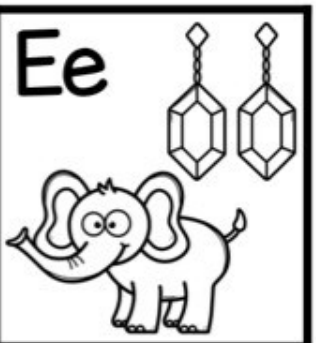

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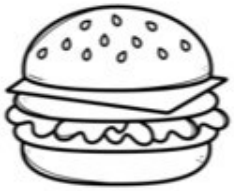

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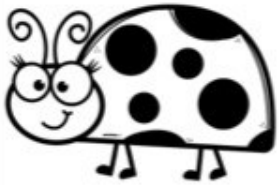

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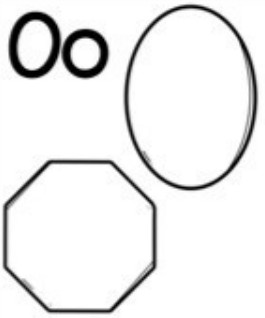

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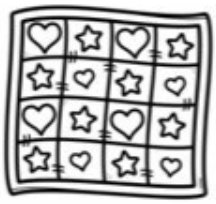

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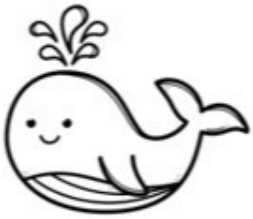

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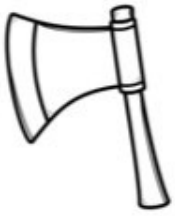

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LETTER LINKING CHART

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1. Use a hole punch to punch a certain number of holes in a piece of paper.
2. Use a pipette to transfer water from one container to another.
3. Stack small wooden blocks into the tallest tower you can make.
4. Stretch and place loom bands on jumbo craft sticks.
5. Pick up craft pom poms with jumbo child tweezers.
6. Peel small stickers up and fill up a pre-drawn shape with them.
7. Practice opening and closing pink foam hair curlers.
8. Push pipe cleaners through the holes in a colander.
9. String pony beads on a crazy straw.
10. Squeeze a turkey baster and try to blow a cotton ball across the table.
11. Water plants with a squeeze water sprayer.
12. Braid yarn to make Rapunzel hair and then use scissors to cut the hair.
13. Peel a hard-boiled egg at snack time.
14. Make a paper chain.
15. Roll strips of paper on a pencil to make them curly.
16. Hide dry beans in a pile of playdoh then search for them.
17. Play with clay instead of playdoh.
18. Use nuts and bolts from the Hardware store in the building center.
19. Stack and build with small cups.
20. Button and unbutton clothes on a doll.
21. Use a geoboard to build shapes with rubber bands.
22. Use legos to make the letters of the alphabet.
23. Glue Velcro dots on the end of craft sticks. Build something with the sticks.
24. Sprinkle confetti onto a table. Use wide paintbrushes to sweep the confetti into a certain area.
25. Put magnetic letters inside Easter eggs. Open an egg, name the letter, and close the egg.
26. Write numerals on pieces of cardboard. Clip that many clothespins on the cardboard.
27. Turn over a sand timer and see how many paper clips you can clip to a sheet of paper before time is up.
28. Make a necklace using yarn and uncooked ziti noodles.
29. Stick a piece of uncooked spaghetti into a ball of playdoh so that it sticks up straight. Place pony beads on the spaghetti to make a pattern.
30. String large and small paper clips together to make a long chain.
31. Mix up a variety of padlocks and keys. See how quickly you can get each lock open by using the correct keys.
32. Set out an ice cube tray, child tweezers, and a bowl of pom poms. See how quickly you can pick up one pom pom at a time and place it in a section of the ice cube tray until the whole tray is full.
33. Stick toothpicks in a styrofoam ball to make a porcupine.
34. Have a Matchbox car wash with small toothbrushes, soap, and water.
35. Tear paper and make a mosaic picture out of it.
36. Soak some sponges and wring them out seeing how dry you can get them.
37. Roll tissue paper into balls and glue each ball down on a page.

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38. Squeeze a lemon or orange and see how much juice you can get from it.
39. Make a mini book by stapling several pages together.
40. Use a push pin to poke holes around the outline of a picture.
41. Pick up pennies one at a time and place them in a piggy bank.
42. Pop bubbles on bubble wrap.
43. Use cookie cutters to cut playdoh.
44. Use a toy hammer to hammer golf tees into a piece of Styrofoam.
45. Cut up straws and string them on yarn to make a necklace.
46. Make a Froot Loop necklace.
47. Trace around your hand with a pencil.
48. Tear pieces of masking tape and then stick them to a large sheet of paper.
49. Sort a pile of small objects into groups (paper clips, rubber bands, and marbles)
50. Use yarn to sew a lacing card.
51. Draw a monster on the window with a dry erase marker. Then, use a spray bottle to spray the monster with water and melt it.
52. Place lots of pennies face down on the table. Try to turn over one penny at a time by picking it up without sliding it to the edge of the table.
53. Cut pictures out a magazine.
54. Pick up pom poms with tweezers and drop them down a paper towel tube.
55. Wrap rubber bands around cut pool noodles.
56. Drop liquid watercolor paint onto coffee filters using eye droppers.
57. Peel masking tape off a table.
58. Tie knots in a piece of yarn.
59. String your name using lacing alphabet beads.
60. Clip Barbie clothes onto a small clothesline using clothespins.
61. Build pictures out of snap cubes.
62. Make a picture out of stickers.
63. Push toothpicks through the holes in a parmesan cheese shaker.
64. Weave a placemat by weaving long strips of paper together.
65. Use toothpicks and marshmallows to build shapes.
66. Paint a picture using q-tips as paintbrushes.
67. Use a spoon to scoop up pony beads and transfer them to a different container.
68. Thread pony beads on a pipe cleaner to make a pattern.
69. Wrap yarn around and around a piece of cardboard cut into a shape.
70. Scoop soil into a pot. Pick up a few seeds and plant them.
71. Put together a 20-25 piece puzzle.
72. Use decorative scissors to cut paper into fancy pieces.
73. Spread out contact paper sticky side up. Make a picture by sticking natural objects (leaves, twigs, acorns, etc.) to it.

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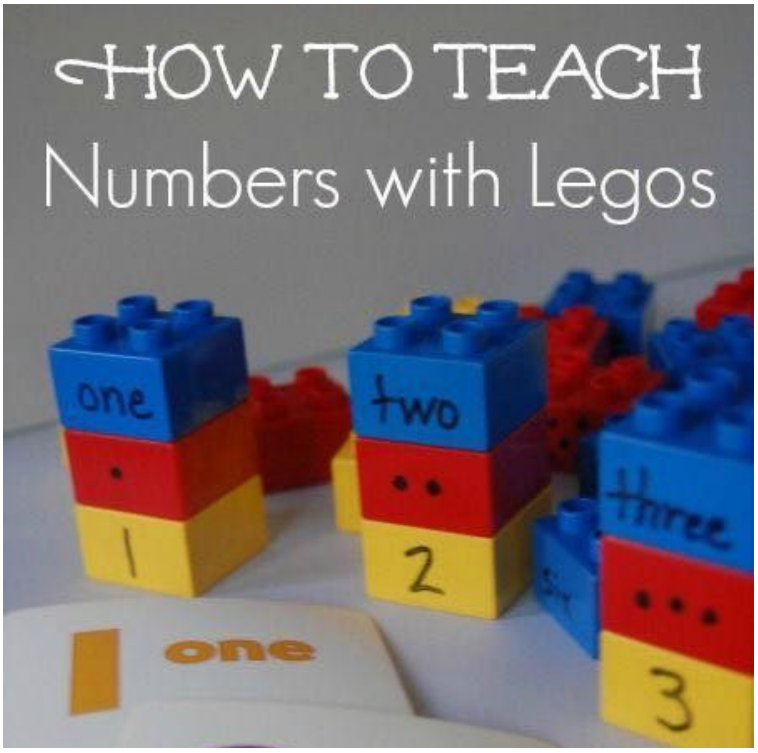
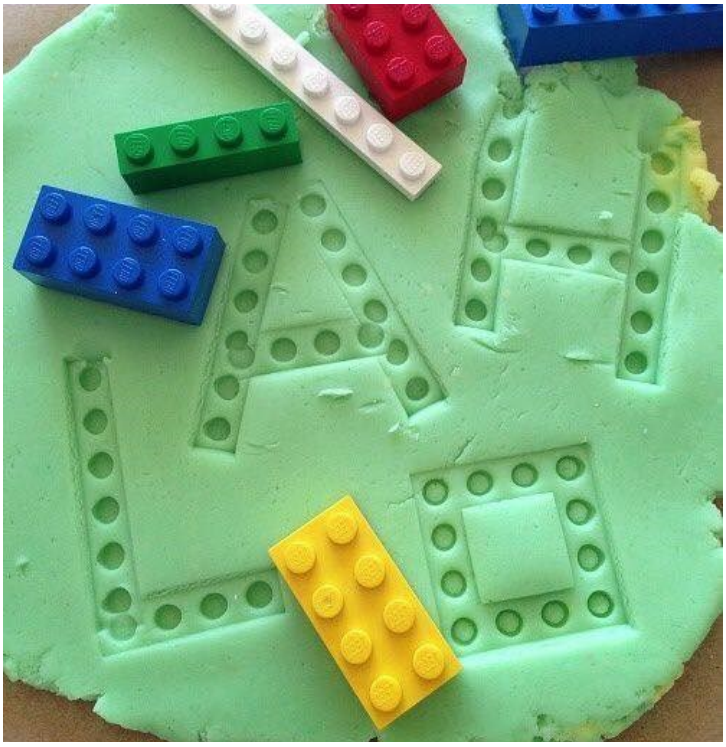
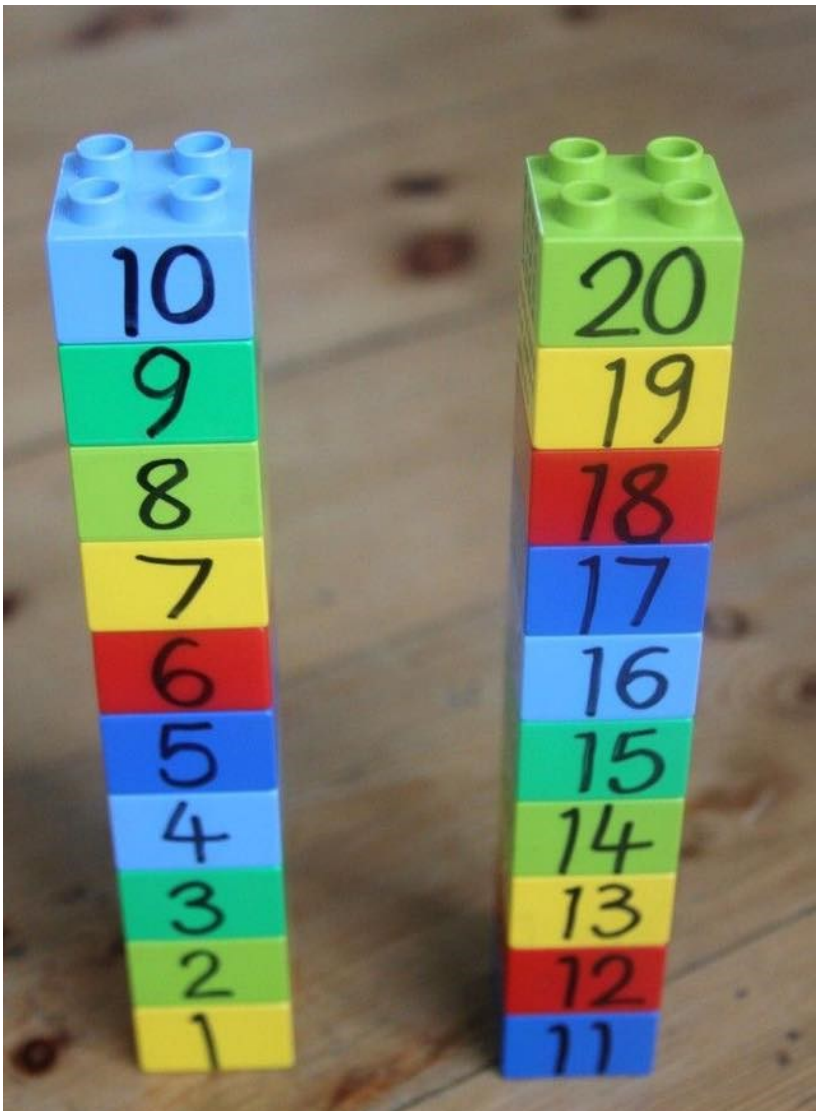
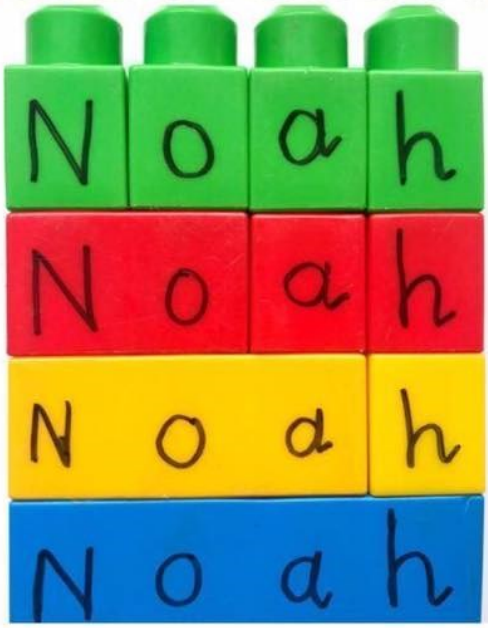
74. Make snakes and eggs by rolling playdoh into long snakes and egg-like balls.
75. Peel and tear colorful washi tape and use it to make a picture.
76. Use chop sticks to eat with.
77. Make the letters of your name out of Wikki stix.
78. Use Bingo dabbers to paint a picture.
79. Drive a toy car along a giant letter or number cutout.
80. Use a rolling pin to roll out dough.
81. Use decorative hole punchers to punch out pictures. Then glue the cut outs onto a piece of paper.
82. Build something with legos.
83. Peel star stickers up and then use them to make your own constellation on black paper.
84. Use a clothespin to pick up and transfer cotton balls from one bowl to another.
85. Practice opening and closing storage containers (plastic food bins, Ziploc bags, etc.)
86. Use a toothpick to draw a design in some playdoh.
87. Pick up a craft pom pom with a clothespin. Dip it in paint and dab paint on a piece of paper using the pom pom.
88. Cup your hands together to shake two dice. Roll them and add up the dots.
89. Make shadow puppets using your hands and a flashlight.
90. Use your index finger to pop bubbles.
91. Use only your thumb and index finger to pick up marbles and transfer them to a jar.
92. Go outside and use scissors to give the grass a haircut.
93. Stack pennies as high as you can to make a tower.
94. Put together a Mr. Potato Head toy.
95. Use a water gun to squirt liquid water colors on the sidewalk to paint a picture.
96. Try to trace the outline of a picture with liquid glue by squeezing the glue bottle and following the line.
97. Crumple paper and throw it like a snowball. Then unroll it and smooth it back out.
98. Use a computer keyboard to type the letters of the alphabet in order.
99. Blow up a balloon and then tie a knot in it.
100. Finger paint.
101. Use a marker to connect dots on a piece of paper.







BUILD YOUR NAME!



FREE ONLINE READING RESOURCES FOR KIDS

Oxford Owl
www.oxfordowl.co.uk/for-home/

Word World
www.wordworld.com/apps-and-games/

PBS Reading Games
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Storyline
www.storylineonline.net

ReadWorks
www.readworks.org

Star Fall
www.starfall.com

NewsELA
www.newsela.com

Squiggle Park
www.squigglepark.com

National Geographic Kids
www.natgeokids.com

Sports Illustrated Kids
https://www.sikids.com/

MOTHERCOULD

ICE PAINTS

YOU'LL NEED:

-Ice cube tray
-Water
-Food coloring
-Popsicle sticks

INSTRUCTIONS:

1.Fill an ice cube tray with water. Don't over fill
2. Add a small drop of food coloring to each cube.
3. Cut a popsicle stick in half. Use the flat edge side to mix the water and food coloring. Leave the popsicle stick inside
4. Freeze overnight
*When painting, use water color paper for best results.

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BABY SAFE PAINT

YOU'LL NEED:

-1/2 cup baby cereal (I used a multigrain one)
-3/4 to 1 cup of water
-Food coloring

INSTRUCTIONS:

1.Add the baby cereal, water and food coloring to a food processor. If you don't have one, you can mix with a whisk.
2. Mix until color is well blended. Adjust water quantity based on the consistency you'd like.
*Even though this recipe is taste safe, I still like to discourage my girls from eating it. It helps when I introduce real paint and food coloring is not great to eat.
**Make sure you are constantly supervising your little ones doing any activities especially if they are babies. These suckers are fast!

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TASTE SAFE SLIME

YOU'LL NEED:

-1/4 cup chia seeds
-1 + 3/4 cup water
-Food coloring
-3-4 cups corn starch

INSTRUCTIONS:

1.Mix the chia seeds, water and food coloring together.
2. Cover and refrigerate overnight.
3. Uncover and add the corn starch a little at a time. About a cup at a time. Mix and then continue until you achieve the desired consistency. Should be like regular slime. Slimy but can be easily taken off the hands.
4. Store covered in the refrigerator. You will need to add a little water each time you take it out to use it. It will reactive the slime.

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PUFFY PAINT

YOU'LL NEED:

-Glue
-Shaving cream
-Food coloring
-Ziploc bag
-Scissors

INSTRUCTIONS:

1.Add equal aparta glue and shaving cream in a bowl.
2. Add food coloring and mix well.
If you want to use the paint in a DIY piping bag:
1.Add the paint to a ziplock bag.
2.Close the bag and cut a small piece of corner off.
3.Squeeze the paint through the opening

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TASTE SAFE PAINT

YOU'LL NEED:

-1/4 cup salt
-1/2 cup flour
-1/2 cup water
-Food coloring

INSTRUCTIONS:

1.Mix the flour and salt in a bowl.
2. Add a few drops of food coloring to the water. Pour into the flour and salt mixture.
3. Whip well until and the clumps dissolve.
*You can add more or less water depending on the consistency you desire.
**Store in the refrigerator. Can keep for 6 months or so.

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FIZZY BLOCKS

YOU'LL NEED:

-1 cup baking soda
-1tsp clear gelatin
-1/4 cup water
-Food coloring
-Ice cube tray
-Vinegar

INSTRUCTIONS:

1.Mix together the baking soda and gelatin.
2. Add a few drops of food coloring to the water and pour into the baking soda mixture. Mix well.
3. Separate the mixture evenly into the ice cube tray.
4. Freeze overnight.
5. Remove the cubes from the tray and pour some vinegar on top. Watch it fizz.

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TASTE SAFE BLOCKS

YOU'LL NEED:

-Clear gelatin powder
-Boiling water
-Food coloring
-Parchment/wax paper
-Containers

INSTRUCTIONS:

1.Add the gelatin powder to a bowl.
2. Measure 3/4 of the indicated amount of water ratio and add a drop of food coloring.
3. Pour into the bowl and mix immediately or the gelatin will clump up. In the video you'll see I added first one cup of water, mixed, and then another 1/2 cup. I did that so that I could mix before it clumped.
4. Line the container with parchment paper and pour mixture in.
5. Refrigerate for 3-4 hours.
6. When the gelatin is firm, pull the wax paper out of the container and cut into large blocks.

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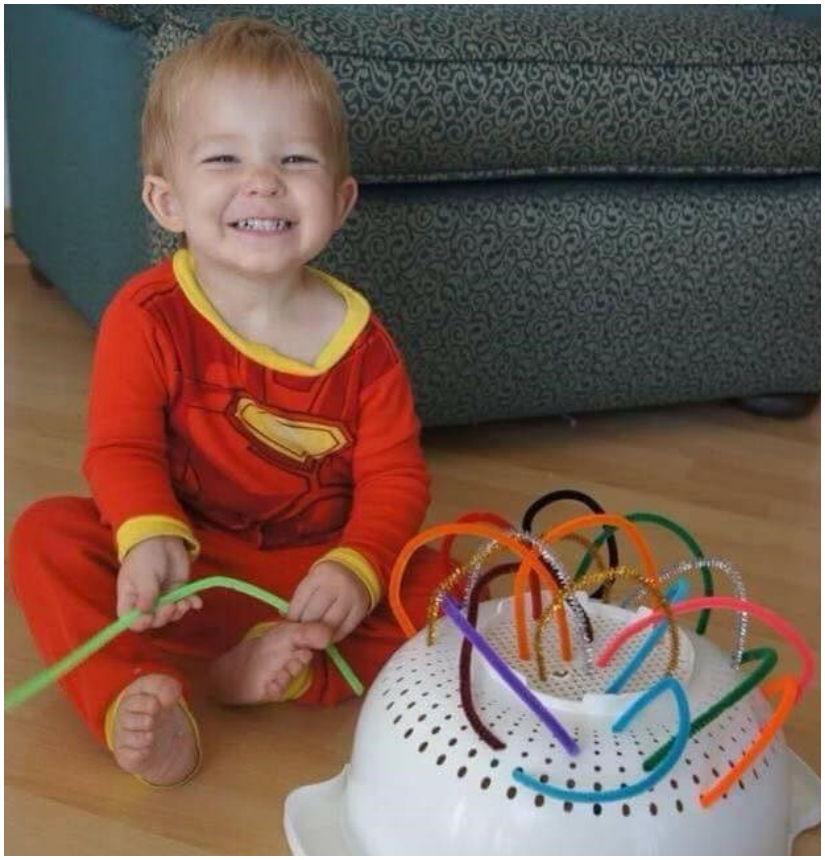
PLAY DOUGH

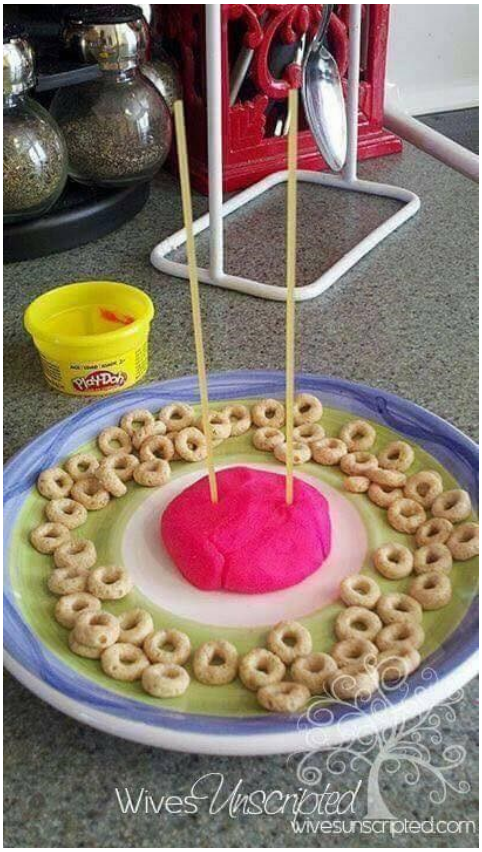
YOU'LL NEED:

-1 cup flour
-1/2 cup table salt
-2 tbsp cream of tartar
-1 tbsp oil
-1 cup boiling water
-Food coloring

INSTRUCTIONS:

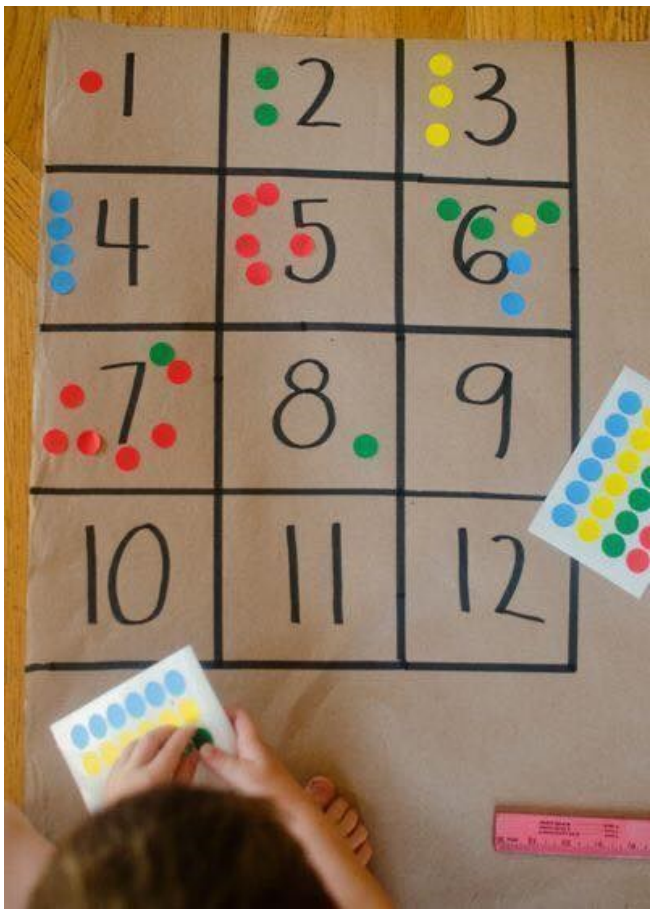
1.In a bowl, combine the flour, salt and cream of tartar. Mix well.
2. Add the oil
3. Mix a few drops of food coloring into the boiling water and add to the bowl.
4. Mix everything very well and massage with your hand until it is no longer sticky.
5. Once it has fully cooled, wrap in plastic and put in an airtight container. Store at room temperature for about 6 months.





Fine Motor and
Color & Shape Matching

Cast a shadow and trace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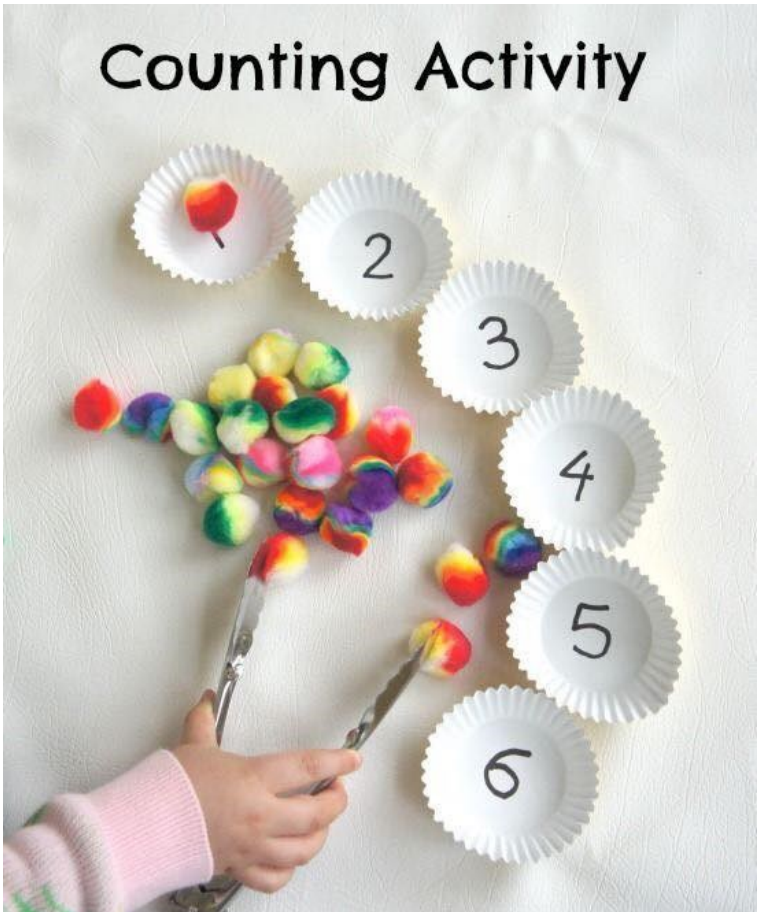
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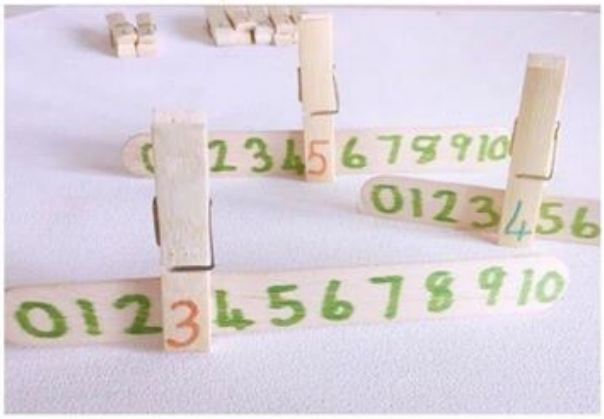
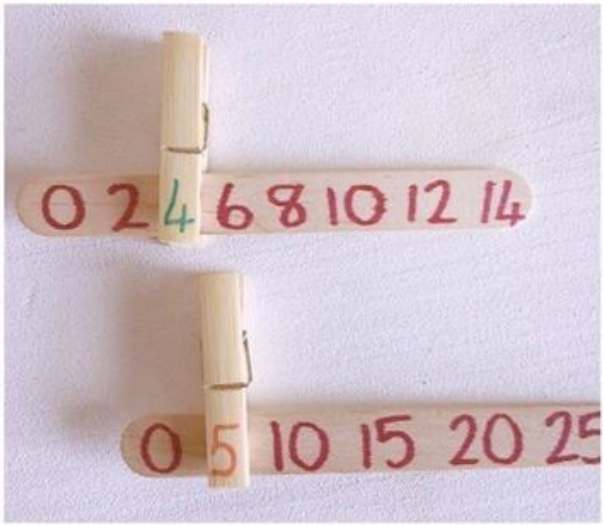
Pipe Cleaner Counting Activity

MISSING NUMBER Clip Sticks





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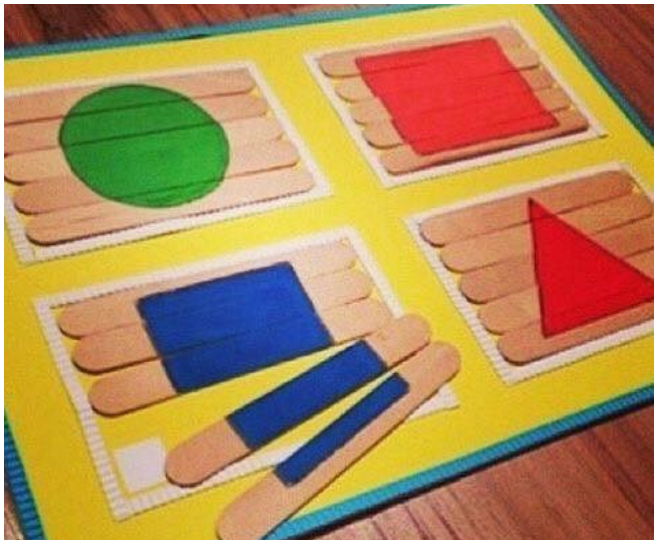
Alphabet Matching



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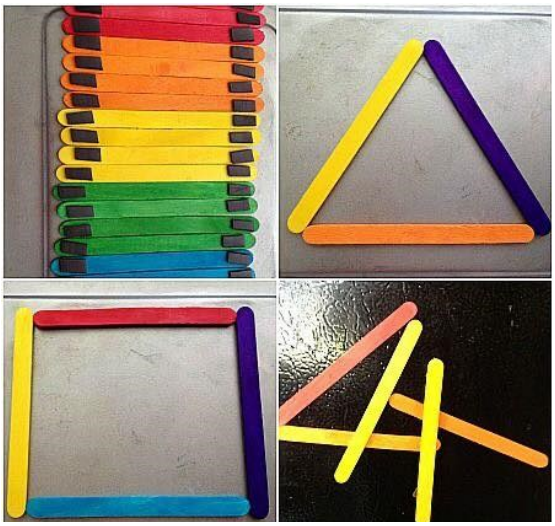
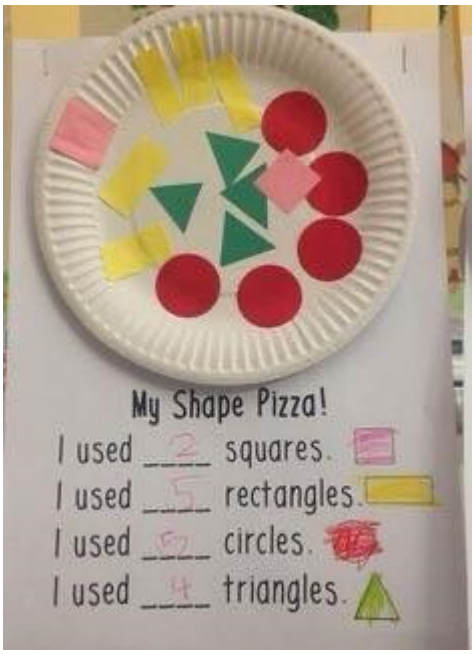
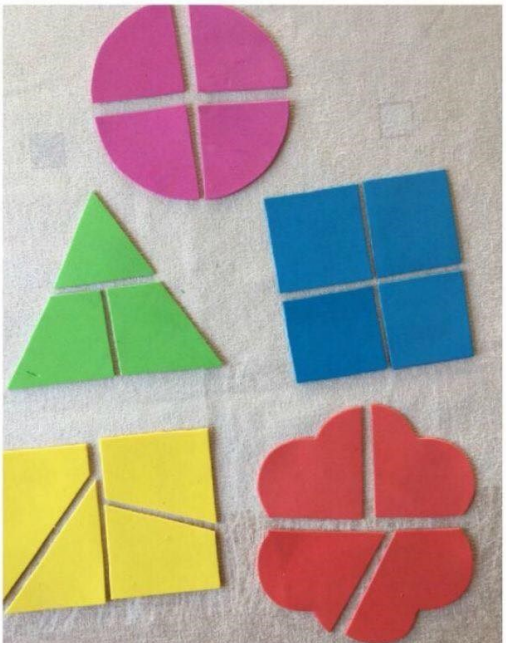
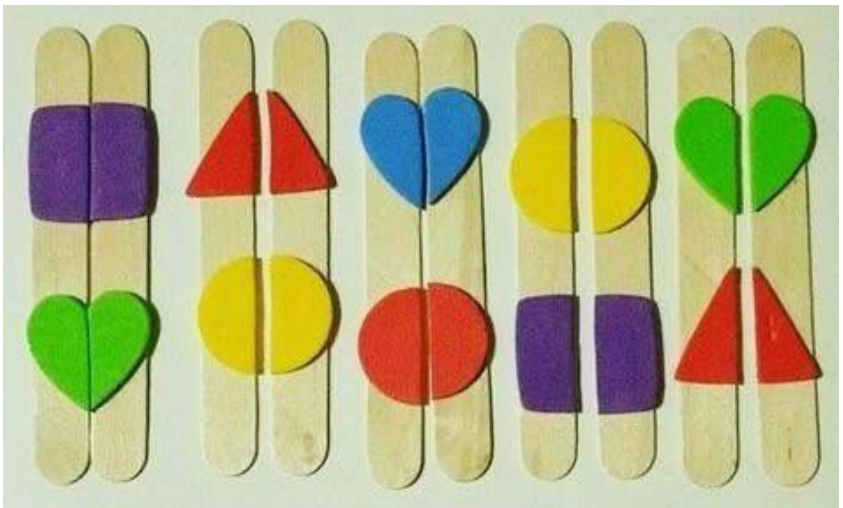


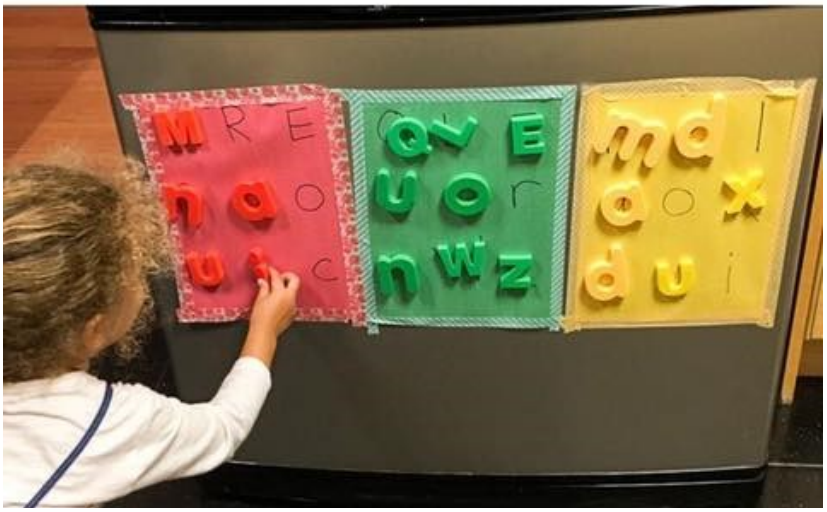


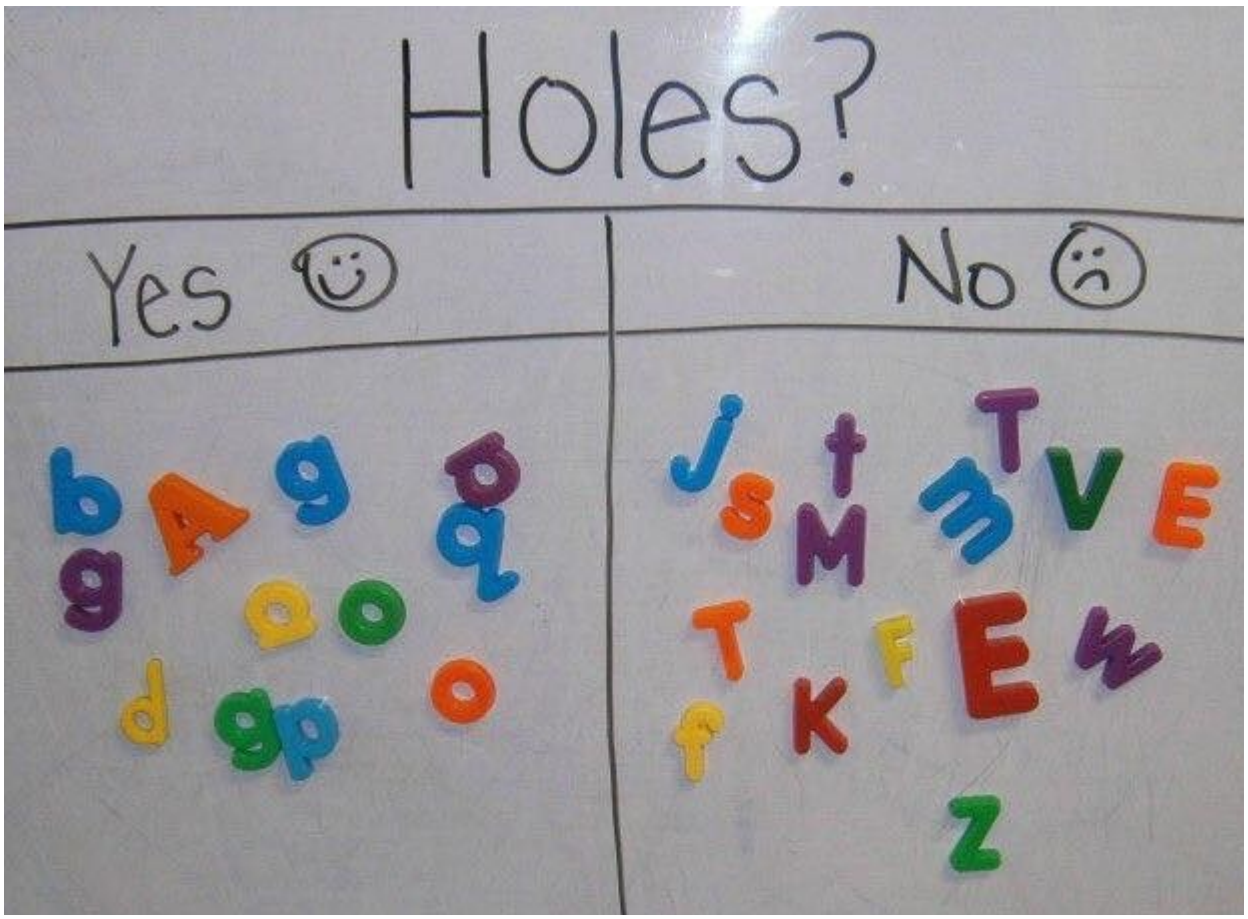




ALPHABET MATCH

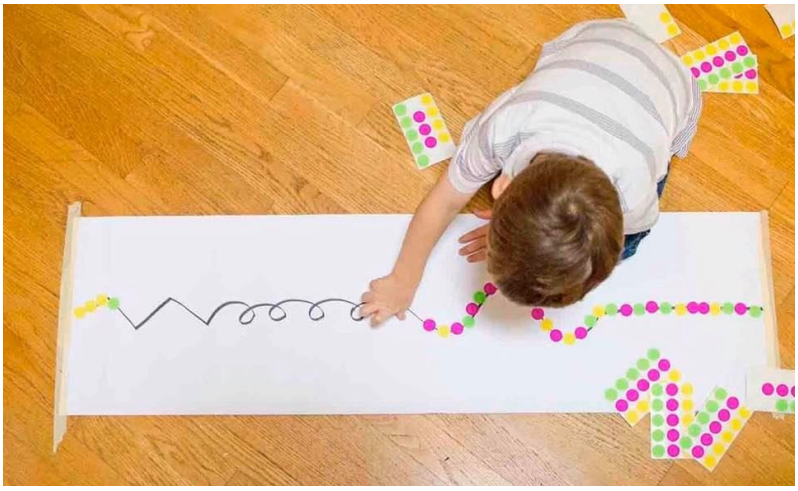
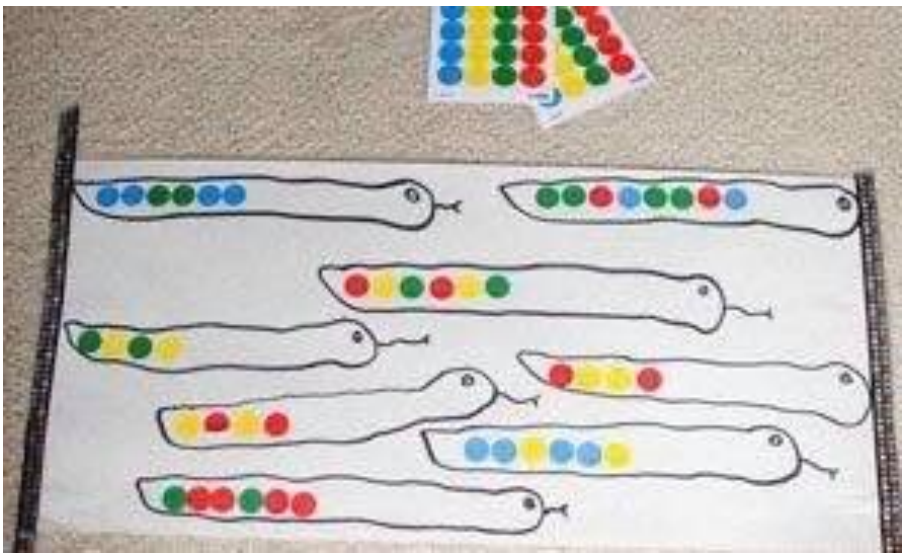
a fun magnetic letter activity





Easy Art

Learning with Sticky Dots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