
Basic Concepts about Print



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NUMBER OF ACTIVITIES

4

1. Book Explorer: Discover the Secrets of a Book!

Activity

Explore a book's covers before reading.

How to Do It

Before starting a story, ask your child to show you the front cover. Ask questions like, "Where do we start reading?", "How do we hold the book?", "What can the cover tell us about the story?", or "Where is the title of the book located?"

Why It's Helpful

This activity builds curiosity and understanding about how books work, setting the stage for motivated reading.

2. Word Wizard: Point and Learn the Words!

Activity

Point to words as you read them aloud.

How to Do It

As you read a story, point to each word. Encourage your child to follow along with their finger. If they cover words with their hand, gently explain, "I need to see the words to read them."

Why It's Helpful

This helps your child understand that the text is what you're reading, not just making up the story. It's a fundamental concept in learning to read.

3. Find and Write Your Name!

Activity

Practice writing your child's first and last name on their drawings, books, or belongings.

How to Do It

Sit with your child and write their name together. Then, point to the written name and ask, "Do you know what this says?"

Why It's Helpful

This helps your child understand that printed words carry meaning.

4. Type Trailblazers: Exploring Print Clues

Activity

Engage in exploring print conventions within a book.

How to Do It

As you read together, occasionally pause and encourage your child to identify specific letters or punctuation marks. For example, ask, "Can you point to the letter A?" or "Can you find a period in this sentence?"

Why It's Helpful

This activity enhances your child's grasp of print basics, including letter recognition, punctuation usage, and book layout, fostering active text engagement. These are key for building foundational reading comprehension and literacy skills in early readers

ADDITIONAL TIPS



- **Make It Fun**

Remember, the goal is to make these activities enjoyable. Feel free to be creative and playful.

- **Follow Their Lead**

If your child shows interest in a particular aspect of the book or activity, explore that further. Their curiosity is a great guide!
