

Language/ Literacy

Understanding Words and Letters

- How to understand, comprehend, and interpret information in a book
- Learning new words
- How to blend two initial sounds (body) with the ending sounds (coda) of onesyllable words
- The name, sound, written form, and uses of the letter W

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Measuring Things

- Practicing measuring items with our hands and comparing our measurements
- How to measure and compare items with a ruler

Mathematics



Focusing & Remembering

- How to follow requests by listening and remembering
 - Music Marks game
 - Musical Simon Says game



Understanding Feelings

- Reviewing emotions
- Identifying how people feel by looking at their face and body
- Identifying reasons why people feel certain emotions

Social Studies



Exploring Where We Live

- How community helpers use different parts of their uniforms
- Identifying jobs people do based on different kinds of uniforms they wear

Creative Expression

Creating Dance

- Creating dance movements using our arms
- Creating dance movements using our legs
- Putting arm and leg dance movements together

Physical/ Health

Staying Healthy and Safe

- Making a pretend pizza with five types of healthy foods
- Identifying foods in the five types of healthy foods



Readiness Starts Early: Tips for Promoting Your Child's Learning

3–5 Years



Children can benefit from knowing we may feel different types of emotions on the same day.

 Read a book about emotions with your child. Example: The Way I Feel by Janan Cain. Talk about the feelings described in the book. Explain that we can experience different types of emotions on the same day. Example: We may be disappointed when rain keeps us from playing outside, but happy when we can play our favorite indoor game. Encouraging your child to retell a story can build language, literacy, and thinking skills.

• After reading a book with your child, invite your child to describe what the book is about. Who are the main characters (could be an animal)? What happens first? What happens next?





Self-Regulation Children can strengthen their behavior control by moving their hand in response to the tempo of music.

 Invite your child to draw smooth, continuous lines when you play slow music; and to draw short, separate lines when you play fast music. Add challenge by changing the rule and/or altering the frequency of changes in fast and slow music. Children can improve their understanding of measurement by using their hands to determine length and height.

 Our hands can be tools for measuring things. Invite your child to find out how many "hands long" or "hands high" different items are by putting his/her hands end to end on the item. Encourage your child to use his/her hands to compare the length or height of two different items. Example: length of a table and length of a couch. 123

Mathematics



Social Studies Children can deepen their understanding of a helper in your community by pretending to be the helper.

 Help your child pretend to be a favorite helper in your community by providing clothing and props. Example: A bus driver needs a pretend steering wheel and seats behind where he/she sits. Talk with your child about some of the things the helper does. Example: bus driver welcomes people who get on the bus. Your child can be a dance choreographer by making up movements for arms and legs.

• Invite your child to create and put together several dance movements involving arms and legs. Examples: Move arms forward, backward, to the sides. Move legs forward, backward, and then bend. Combine arm and leg movements in a sequence. Encourage your child to teach you the movements.



Creative Expression

Involving children in meal planning or preparation can enhance their awareness of healthy eating.

 Encourage your child to help you make decisions about what to serve at a family meal. Focus on dietary guidelines from the U.S. Department of Agriculture. Consider involving your child in preparing some of the meal.



Physical/ Health

