

Language/
Literacy**Understanding Words and Letters**

- How to understand, comprehend, and interpret information in a book
- Learning new words
- Identifying uppercase letters of the alphabet

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Mathematics

Working with Shapes

- Describing characteristics of shapes
- Identifying shapes
- Representing shapes or finding shape cutouts around the classroom
- Identifying classroom items that approximate a basic shape

Social
Studies**Exploring Where We Live**

- How walking is a type of transportation
- How some animals can transport people and items
- How multiple types of transportation move items from where they were made to where they will be used
- How multiple types of transportation may be used for a trip



Science

Exploring Earth and Space

- How landfills are used
- How to recycle items

Physical/
Health**Moving Our Bodies**

- Practicing jumping
- Practicing hopping

Social
Studies

Children can broaden their understanding of different forms of transportation by reviewing a recent long trip.

- Talk with your child about a long-distance trip you or your family has taken that involved more than one form of transportation (example: car to airport, then plane to different city). Or talk about how a favorite toy may have moved from a manufacturing plant, to a warehouse, to a store, or to your home.

Changing the plot of a familiar story can support children's listening comprehension skills.

- Read or retell a familiar story with your child. Change a key part of the plot. If your child does not like the change, encourage him/her to retell the original version of the story. If your child likes the change you offered, encourage your child to make up his/her own change or add to your change.

Language/
LiteracyPhysical/
Health

Alternating two different physical movements can strengthen children's balance and coordination skills.

- Encourage your child to jump with both feet—hop, jump, hop, jump, hop—up to 10 times. Create squares to hop and jump to with sidewalk chalk for outside play, or painters' tape for indoor play. Consider playing hopscotch if your child wants to add challenge to the jump-hop-jump-hop routine.

Identifying the shapes of common objects can support children's geometric knowledge.

- Encourage your child to identify things in your home and community that represent different shapes. Examples: tires (circle), a door (often a rectangle), traffic signs (often a square or rectangle, sometimes a triangle).

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Mathematics

Children's understanding of recycling can broaden their understanding of how people take care of the earth.

- Here are some options for helping your child learn about recycling: Point out recycle bins in your community. If your family recycles, encourage your child to sort recyclables from trash and place into a recycle bin. Show your child how to look for recycle symbols on containers. Look for products made from recycled materials.



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