

HAPPY LEARNING TIME for Parents, Grandparents and LITTLE ONES

**Spend 3 or 5 minutes: Make it an enjoyable time
Read Aloud Daily!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!**

FOUR MONTHS to Twelve MONTHS

(Learning unconsciously thru visual and auditory pathways)

- Flash RED Dots for learning quantities
- Flash five single words per week in 3 seconds
- Say the letter and sound of the alphabet and sing “**We Know the Sounds of the ALPHABET**”.
- Show and say the basic colors
- Show and talk about pictures of animals, fruits, veggies, and shapes.
- Share board books and first picture books
- Point and say the name of the upper- and lower-case letters of the ALPHABET.
- Practice saying/learning different shapes: circle, square, rectangle, triangle, octagon, rhombus, pentagon

TWELVE MONTHS to TWENTY-FOUR MONTHS

- Flash action words in addition to single words: playing, jumping hopping, running, etc.
- Place upper- and lower-case letters of the ALPHABET at eye level of the child on a long wall to practice letter recognition.
- Practice reading simple sentences using single words, color words or action words
- Begin to blend letters to make words using moveable letters. Say the sounds and make three- or four-letter words.
- Play finger math

TWENTY-FOUR MONTHS TO THREE YEARS

Recognize and know the sounds of the ALPHABET.

- Blend letters to form words using moveable letters
- Learn sight words by touching the words in basic sentences
- Use three fingers grip to pick up knob puzzle pieces and small items in prep for fine motor skills and writing.
- Flash multisyllabic and sophisticated words while teaching meaning.
- Read basic or simple reading books. Talk about the story.
- Practice opposites.
- Play finger math.

FOUR TO FIVE YEARS OLD

- Learn analogies with practice.

- Blend letters to form words.
- Make sentences using learned words.
- Read books with multiple sentences on a page.
- Identify the characters, setting, problem, and solution in stories.