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What did your child do? What did you do? My child: I made comments about food my child was Used gestures to communicate. interested in. Used simple words. I asked questions about food my child was Used simple sentences. interested in. Talked about the food using at least three different kinds of sentences. Anything else? _____ Anything else? _____ Your ideas for making this activity better for your child Your child's name Your name _____ Date you and your child did this activity _____

Talking about food





Talking about things outside

What d	lid your child do?	What did you do?	
My chil	ld:		
	Used gestures to communicate. Used simple words. Used simple sentences. Said at least three different kinds of sentences about a same thing.	 I made comments about what my child we interested in. I asked questions about what my child was interested in. What do you see? What is? Where else have you seen one of thes How would this look different if? 	s e?
	else?	Anything else?	
Your ideas	for making this activity better for your child		
	's name	Your name	
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Talking about TV shows



What did your child do?		What did you do?	
My chil	ld: Watched video/TV program. Made simple comments about the characters and/or story. Said at least three different things about the characters and/or story in the right order. Said whether a character or event was real or pretend.		 I used toys and books that go with the video/TV program. I made comments about the video/TV program. I asked my child questions about the characters and/or story. I talked about real and pretend characters and events.
	else?		nything else?
Your idea	as for making this activity better for your child		

Your child's name _____

Your name _____

Date you and your child did this activity _____





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Talking about what happened in the past

What did your child do? What did you do? My child: □ Answered questions about something □ I talked to my child about something my child he/she did in the past. did in the past. Made simple comments about something □ I asked my child questions about something he/she did in the past. he/she did in the past. Said at least three different things about something he/she did in the past. Anything else? _____ Anything else? Your ideas for making this activity better for your child ______ Your child's name _____ Your name _____

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Talking about what will happen nextWhat did your child do?What did you do?

My child:

- □ Used simple words to talk about what would happen next.
- □ Used simple sentences to talk about what would happen next.
- □ Said at least three different things about what would happen next.

Anything else? _____

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- □ I talked to my child about what would happen next.
- □ I asked my child questions about what would happen next.

Anything else? _____

Your ideas for making this activity better for your child ______

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Learning how to use books

What did your child do?		What d	What did you do?	
My chil	ld:			
	Turned some pages. Turned all pages from front to back. Talked about the pictures. Said some letter names. Read some simple words.		I showed my child how to turn the pages. I talked about the front and back of the book. I explained the difference between pictures and printed words.	
	g else?		ything else?	
Your idea	as for making this activity better for your child _			
Your chil	ld's name	Yo	our name	
Date you	and your child did this activity			
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Looking at pictures in a book



What did your child do?	What did you do?
My child:	
 Listened to me talking about the pictures. Touched/pointed to pictures. Made comments about the pictures. What did your child say? Told a story about the pictures. Asked the meaning of a new word. 	 I talked about the pictures I asked my child questions about the pictures. What kind of questions? What is? What's happening? Why? What do you think? Other questions
Anything else?	Anything else?
Your ideas for making this activity better for your ch	nild
Your child's name Date you and your child did this activity	



Learning about books' covers



What di	id your child do?	What did you do?	
My child	d:		
	Enjoyed touching the book. Turned pages. Took the book and put the cover in the right direction. Recognized familiar titles. Recognized familiar authors and illustrators.	 I showed my child how to put the cover in the right direction. I talked about the title. I talked about the author and illustrator. 	
Anythi	ing else?	Anything else?	
Your i	deas for making this activity better for your child _	1	
	child's name		
Date y	ou and your child did this activity		



Showing your child how to read



What did your child do?

My child:

- □ Listened as I read the story.
- □ Made comments about the pictures.
- □ Showed that he/she knows the difference between a picture and word.
- Watched my finger moving from left to right.
- □ Showed interest in letters and words.
- **□** Read some letter names and words.
- □ Asked what a word means.

What did you do?

- □ I talked about the pictures.
- □ I talked about the difference between a picture and a word.
- □ I put my finger under letters that my child was interested in.
- □ I moved my finger from left to right as I read words my child was interested in.

Anything else?	Anything else?
Your ideas for making this activity better for your child	

Your child's name _____

Your name _____

Date you and your child did this activity _____

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Making a touch book



What did your child do?		What	What did you do?	
My chi	ld:			
	Touched the things on the pages.		I showed my child how to turn the pages.	
	Turned the pages.		I talked about the things on the pages.	
	Said something about what was on the pages.			
	What did your child say?			
	else?		nything else?	
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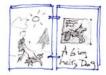
Making a picture book



What did your child do?	What did you do?
My child: Pointed to the pictures. Turned the pages. Made simple comments about the pictures. What did your child say? Told a simple story about the pictures. Anything else?	 I showed my child how to turn the pages. I talked about what my child was doing or was interested in. I made comments about the pictures. I asked questions about the pictures.
Your ideas for making this activity better for your child Your child's name Date you and your child did this activity	Your name



Making a book



What c	lid your child do?	What d	id you do?
	ld: Talked about the pictures. Asked me to write something about the pictures. Wrote some simple letters and words. Pretended to write a sentence under the pictures. Said some letter names and sounds. Read simple words. g else?		I made comments about the pictures. I asked my child to say something about the pictures and wrote down what my child said. I helped my child write something about the pictures. I helped my child read what he/she wrote.
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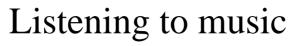


Talking about a story



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What did your child do? My child:	What did you do?
 Listened to the story. Asked questions about the story. Made some comments about the story. Answered questions about the story. Told a story with a beginning, a middle, and an end. 	 I talked about the story. I asked my child questions about the story. What happened? Why? What happened next? What did you like? Is this real? What if?
Anything else?	Anything else?
	ild
Your child's name Date you and your child did this activity	_ Your name







What did your child do? My child:	What did you do?
 Listened to the music. Moved to the music. Made sounds to the music. 	 I played my child's favorite music. I helped my child move to the music. I sang to the music.
Anything else?	Anything else?
Your ideas for making this activity better for your child	
Your child's name	Your name
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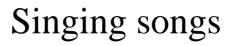


Doing things with music



What did your child do?	What did you do?
My child:	
□ Made sounds to the music.	□ I sang with my child.
Clapped, made body or finger movements.	I clapped, made body or finger movement
Played musical instrument.	□ I talked about the music.
□ Sang/signed a few words.	□ I asked my child questions about the must
□ Sang/signed a song.	
□ Talked about the music.	
What did your child say?	
Your ideas for making this activity better for your chil	ld
Your child's name	Your name
Date you and your child did this activity	
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What d My chi	lid your child do? ld: Made body and finger movements along with the song. Made animal sounds or sounds of objects. Sang/signed a few words. Sang a song.	 What did you do? I sang my child's favorite song. I made animal sounds and sounds of objects. I sang some words and let my child fill in. I made up my own words to the song. 	
	else?	Anything else?	
	l's name		16



Making up silly songs



What d	lid your child do?	What d	lid you do?
My chil	ld:		
	Made sounds. Made up animal sounds and sounds of		I made up a song about what my child was doing.
-	objects.		I made up silly words.
	Made up words to the song.		I talked about long and short words.
	Made up silly words.		
Anything e	lse?	An	ything else?
	for making this activity better for your child		
	's name		ur name
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What d	lid your child do?	What did you do?	
My chi	ld:		
	Listened carefully.	□ I made comments about sounds	
	Guessed what made the sound.	I asked my child to guess what made th	ie
	Made comments about the sound using	sound.	
	simple sentences.	□ I asked questions about the sound.	
	Said at least three different sentences about the sound.		
	else?	Anything else?	
Your ideas	s for making this activity better for your child	d	
Your child	l's name	Your name	
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What did your child do? My child:	What did you do?
 Recognized his/her name. Said some letter names. Said some letter sounds. Wrote his/her name. some letters all letters 	 I used a photograph of my child. I taught my child the names and sounds of the letters in his/her name. I helped my child write his/her name.
Anything else?	Anything else?
Your ideas for making this activity better for your child	
Your child's name Date you and your child did this activity	Your name



Discovering print

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What d	lid your child do?	What d	lid you do?
My chil	ld:		
	Show interest in pictures and signs.		I pointed to pictures, and signs.
	Recognized pictures.		I talked about pictures, signs, words, letters,
	Recognized familiar signs.		and numbers my child was interested in.
	Recognized some words.		I talked about the difference between a
	Recognized some letters.		picture and a word.
Anythi	ing else?		ything else?
Your i	deas for making this activity better for your child		
Your c	hild's name	You	ar name
Date y	ou and your child did this activity		



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Seeing first words



What did your child do?	What did you do?		
 My child: Showed interest in pictures and words. Recognized familiar words. Read a new word. Recognized familiar letters. Talked about the pictures and words. What did your child say? 	 I talked about the words and their meaning. I talked about the difference between pictures and words. I talked about the difference between letters and numbers. 		
Anything else?	Anything else?		
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What did your child do?	What did you do?
My child: Recognized pictures and signs. Helped make a sign. scribbled drew a picture copied shapes copied letters and words Made a sign without help with pictures scribbles letters and words 	 I made a sign together with my child. I talked about how signs tell us about things.
Anything else?	Anything else?
Your ideas for making this activity better for your child	
Your child's name	Your name
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Many ways to write



What did your child do?	What did you do?		
My child:			
 Played with letters and crayons. Scribbled. Drew a picture. Pretended to write. Copied some letters and words. Wrote some letters and words without help. 	 I showed my child how to use crayons and paint. I gave my child letters to play with. I helped my child write his/her name. I helped my child write words he/she was interested in. 		
Anything else?	Anything else?		
Your ideas for making this activity better for your child			
Your child's name Date you and your child did this activity	Your name 23		



Writing with magnetic letters



What d	lid your child do?	What did you do?		
My child:				
	Played with the letters.Said names and sounds of letters.Copied simple words.Wrote simple words.Asked me to help write a simple message.		I talked about what my child was doing with the letters. I talked about letter shapes, colors, names, and sounds. I wrote simple words for my child to copy I helped my child write simple messages.	,
Anything else?			nything else?	_
Your ic	leas for making this activity better for your child _			
	hild's name		our name	— 24





Playing with sounds

What did your child do?		What did you do?		
My chi	ld:			
	Made sounds of animals and objects.		I made the same sound my child made.	
	Repeated simple sounds (ba-ba).		I asked my child to repeat sounds I made.	
	Repeated short words (kitty).		I asked my child to say whether two sounds	
	Repeated two or three sounds in the correct order (p-t-g).		are the same or different.	
	Said if two sounds were the same or different.			
Anything else?		Anything else?		
Your	ideas for making this activity better for your child _			
	child's name		our name	
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Talking about words

What c	lid your child do?	What	did you do?	
 My child: Repeated short words. Repeated long words. Repeated phrases. Choose a word from a sentence. Choose the longer word. Asked for the meaning of a new word. 		 I explained the meaning of new words. I talked about the sounds in my child's na I explained how words make up sentence I talked about long and short words. Anything else?		5.
	s for making this activity better for your child _			-
Your child's name Date you and your child did this activity			bur name	- 26







What did your child do?	What did you do?
My child: Listened to the rhyme. Said a rhyme with help. Filled in last word in the rhyme. Said a rhyme without help. Anything else?	 I said a rhyme with my child. I said parts of a rhyme and asked my child to fill in the rhyming words. I asked questions about the rhyme. What is it about? What happened? Anything else?
Your child's name	Your name
Date you and your child did this activity	



Learning about rhyming



What did your child do?

My child:

- Listened to nursery rhyme, song or rhyming book.
- □ Said rhyme with help.
- **G** Filled in some words.
- □ Said nursery rhyme or song without help.
- □ Said whether two words rhyme or not.

Anything else? _____

What did you do?

- □ I said a nursery rhyme, song, or read a rhyming book that my child was interested in.
- □ I said rhyming words louder.
- □ I let my child fill in rhyming words.
- □ I talked about how rhyming words sound the same in the middle and end.
- □ I asked my child to say whether two words rhyme or not.

Anything else? _____

Your ideas for making this activity better for your child ______

Your child's name _____

Your name _____

Date you and your child did this activity _____



Making a story up



What did your child do?

Mr. abild.

My chi	ld:	
	Manipulated objects and toys. Played with objects and toys pretending they were something else (e.g., used a block for a car). Pretended to be another person or animal. Made up a story with toys or dress-up clothes. Answered questions about the story.	 I showed my child how to use and play with objects and toys. I helped my child make-up a story. I asked my child questions about the story. Who? Where? Why What happened next?
Anyth	ing else?	Anything else?
Your	ideas for making this activity better for your child	
	child's name	Your name 29

What did you do?



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What d	lid your child do?	What did you do?	
			I drew or painted a picture with my child. I helped my child make a collage. I asked questions about my child's picture. I wrote down what my child said about his/her picture.
Anything else?			nything else?
Your ideas for making this activity better for your child			
	child's name		our name



Keeping drawings



What did your child do?	What did you do?	
My child:		
 Used fingers to paint. Scribbled with a pencil or crayon. Made a picture with stamps, stickers, photographs and/or pictures from magazines. Drew or painted a picture. Talked about his/her picture. 	 I drew or painted a picture with my child. I helped my child make a collage. I asked questions about my child's picture. I wrote down what my child said about his/her picture. 	
Anything else?	Anything else?	
Your ideas for making this activity better for your child		
Your child's name Date you and your child did this activity	Your name	



Keeping a diary



What d	lid your child do?	What did you do?	
My chil	d:		
	Made a picture or collage. Talked about the picture. Drew a picture of something that happened during the day. Wrote his/her name on the picture. Scribbled or wrote a short message about the picture.		I helped my child make a picture or collage.I made comments and asked questions about my child's picture.I wrote down what my child said about the picture.I helped my child write his/her name and the date.
Anything else?			nything else?
Your ideas for making this activity better for your child			
Your child's name		Yo	our name
Date you and your child did this activity			



Keeping a diary with words



What did your child do?		What did you do?	
My chil	d:		
	Talked about the picture. Scribbled a message. Wrote his/her name. Wrote some letters. Wrote some words.		I helped my child think about what happened during the day. I showed my child how to write letters and words.
Anything else?		Anything else?	
Your ideas for making this activity better for your child			
Your child's name Date you and your child did this activity			ur name



Writing words



What did your child do?	What did you do?	
My child:		
 Scribbled. Drew a picture. Copied some letters and words. Wrote some letters and words. Pretended to write a message. 	 I wrote a note and talked about what I wrote with my child. I wrote simple words and phrases for my child to copy. I helped my child write simple words by sounding out each letter. 	
Anything else?	Anything else?	
Your ideas for making this activity better for your child		
Your child's name Date you and your child did this activity	Your name	
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Having fun with rhyming



What did your child do?		What did you do?	
My child: Listened to the rhymin Repeated short words. Choose two words that Changed the sounds of Said a word that rhym	t rhyme. Fa word.	 I said words that rhyme and talked about how the middle and end sounds are the same. I asked my child whether two words rhyme or not. I made up sentences and songs with words that rhyme. 	
Anything else? Your ideas for making this activity better for your child _		Anything else?	
Your child's name Date you and your child did t	nis activity		
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Using letters to rhyme

What did your child do?		What	What did you do?	
My child			I talked about letter shapes and colors.	
	Said the names of some letter. Which letters?		I talked about letter names and letter sounds.	
	Said the sounds of some letters. Which sounds?		I wrote and read simple words. I wrote new rhyming words by changing the	
	Played with the letters.		first letter.	
	Read simple words. Which words?		I talked about how rhyming words sound the same in the middle and end.	
	Said whether two words do or do not rhyme.			
Said a rhyming word for a target word. Anything else?		An	ything else?	
	as for making this activity better for your child			
Your chi	ld's name	Yo	ur name	

Date you and your child did this activity _



Rhyming words



What did your child do?		What	What did you do?		
My child:					
Listened to the rhy	ming words.		I said a rhyming song.		
Repeated the rhymicSaid whether two w	ing words. vords do or do not rhyme.		I encouraged my child to say some rhyming words after me.		
□ Said a rhyming wor	rd for a target word		I asked my child to say whether two words do or do not rhyme.		
			I helped my child find a rhyming word.		
			I talked about how rhyming words sound the same in the middle and end.		
Anything else?		A	nything else?		
Your ideas for making this	activity better for your child				
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Measuring things



What did your child do?		What o	What did you do?		
My chi	ld:				
	Used words like big and little, short and long to describe objects.		I explained how numbers tell us how man how big things are.	y or	
	Recognized numbers.		I helped my child read and write numbers		
	Copied numbers.				
	Pointed correctly to a number and letter.				
	else?	A 	nything else?	_	
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	Making Maps				
What d	lid your child do?	What o	lid you do?		
My chi	ld:		T, 11, 1, 1, 1, 1, 1, 1, 1, 1, 1, 1, 1, 1		
	Identified objects and places to include on the map.		I talked about objects and places in a room on a walk or drive.	or	
	Drew some objects and places on the map.		I asked my child to tell which objects and places need to go on the map.		
	Talked about how to get from one place to another.				
Anything	else?	A 	nything else?	-	
Your idea	as for making this activity better for your child	l		-	
Your chil	d's name	Y	our name	-	
Date you	and your child did this activity			3	



What sounds begin words?



What did your child do?

My child:

- □ Listened to sentences with words that begin with the same sound.
- **C** Repeated sounds.
- □ Repeated phrases with words that begin with the same sound.
- □ Said whether two words begin with a same sound.
- □ Said what sound a word started with.

Anything else?

What did you do?

- □ I read books and/or sang songs with sentences with words that begin with the same sound.
- □ I repeated or exaggerated the first sound of words.
- □ I made sure my child listened carefully to the first sound in words.
- □ I played matching first sound games with cards and objects.

Anything else? _____

Your ideas for making this activity better for your child ______

Your child's name _____

Your name _____

Date you and your child did this activity _____



Guess the word syllable games



What did your child do? My child:	What did you do?
 Repeated some sounds. Said the word correctly (fast). Clapped to each syllable. 	 I first said the word broken up, then said the word correctly. I clapped to and counted each syllable with my child. I said a word and asked my child to break it down into syllables (Say it slow).
Anything else?	Anything else?
Your ideas for making this activity better for your child	
Your child's name Date you and your child did this activity	Your name
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Guessing the password



What did your child do?	What did you do?
My child:	
□ Made a guess.	□ I used my child's name.
Repeated part of the word.Said correctly:	I talked about how words are made up of smaller sounds.
Words broken down in large chunks	□ I gave hints of what the password was.
 (cow-boy). Words broken down into syllables (ti-ger). Words broken down into smaller chunks (o-pen; d-o-g). 	I said the same word first correctly and then broken down into smaller chunks.
Anything else?	Anything else?
Your ideas for making this activity better for your ch	nild
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Going to the grocery store



What did your child do?		What did you do?		
My chi	ld:			
 Looked at signs and food labels. Recognized familiar signs and labels. Talked about things in the store. Talked about pictures, words and letters. Used the grocery list pictures and words to find the items. 		 I talked a in. I made a 	to and read signs and food labels. bout things my child was interested grocery list with my child and used items in the store.	
Anythin	g else?		e?	
Your ide	eas for making this activity better for your child			
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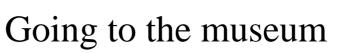
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Going to the library



What did your child do?	What did you do?	
My child:		
□ Looked at picturesbooks and/or magazines.	□ I help[ed my child choose a book.	
Used the computer.	□ I helped my child use the computer.	
□ Listened to a story.	□ I talked about things to do at the library.	
Anything else?	Anything else?	
Your ideas for making this activity better for your child _		
Your child's name	Your name	
Date you and your child did this activity		44

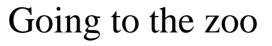






What did your child do?		What d	What did you do?	
My chi	ld:			
	Used gestures and signs to talk about what he/she saw.		I talked about things my child was interested in.	
	Used simple words to talk about what he/she saw.		I talked about things in the museum that related to my child's everyday life.	
	Used sentences to talk about what he/she saw.		I helped my child read the labels.	
	Showed interest in the labels.			
	Read words and letters on the labels.			
Anything	else?	A	nything else?	
Your ideas	s for making this activity better for your child			
Your child	's name	Y	our name	
Date you a	and your child did this activity			45







 I talked about animals my child was interested in. I asked my child questions about the animals. I helped my child read the labels.
Anything else?
Your name 46