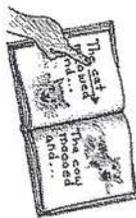


Showing your child how to read



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? _____

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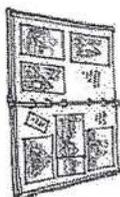
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Your child's name _____

Your name _____

Date you and your child did this activity _____

Making a picture book



What did your child 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? _____

What did you do?

- 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.

Anything else? _____

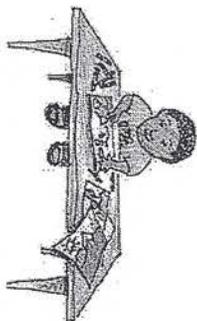
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Keeping a diary



What did your child do?

My child:

- 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.

Anything else? _____

What did you do?

- 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? _____

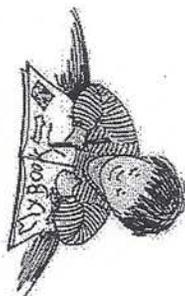
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Keeping a diary with words



What did your child do?

My child:

- Talked about the picture.
- Scribbled a message.
- Wrote his/her name.
- Wrote some letters.
- Wrote some words.

What did you do?

- 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? _____

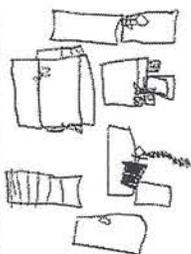
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Date you and your child did this activity _____

Making Maps



What did your child do?

My child:

- Identified objects and places to include on the map.
- Drew some objects and places on the map.
- Talked about how to get from one place to another.

What did you do?

- I talked about objects and places in a room or on a walk or drive.
- I asked my child to tell which objects and places need to go on the map.

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 _____

What sounds begin words?



What did your child do?

My child:

- Listened to sentences with words that begin with the same sound.
- 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 _____