



Literacy Grab & Go Preschool (3 - 4-year-olds)

Activity Title: Preposition Play

Domain: Language

Activity Purpose: Add some language fun to your family playtime.

Rationale

Play is an important part of children’s brain development. Play allows children to develop their imagination, language, and critical thinking skills at the same time. Your playtime talk will model how to use prepositions, which are important parts of sentences that mark the relationships between people, objects, and places.

Materials: toy or doll

Description of Activity:

1. As you and your child are playing, describe what you are doing.
2. Be intentional about using some of the most common prepositions to describe the position of the toy or doll.
3. Common prepositions include: in, into, on, off, by, outside, inside, under, over, above, and below.
 - For example, “The doll wants to go into the house. Right now she’s outside and she’s cold.”

Lagniappe: You can add a focus on prepositions to your family playtime anytime.

Many three-year-olds are developing their ability to follow two-step directions and understand simple requests. Help your child be a meal time helper by giving them directions to set and/or clear the table. For example, “Put the plate on the table and your napkin beside your plate.”