



Print Around Us

Ages 2 years to 3 years

Objective: The child is introduced to letters through real-life object exploration.

Materials needed:

ABC Objects in your home

(ideas include: A-apple, B-ball, C-cotton balls, D-dolls, E-plastic Easter eggs or erasers)

Blank white paper and marker (you will use only)

Procedures:

1. Using your home objects, go through each one with your child. Say the name of the object and the letter it begins with. (i.e. A is for apple)
2. Write the letter A on a white sheet of paper. Again, say "A" to your child. Hold up to show. Let them explore with the apple independently. See what they do, it's how they learn!
3. Do the same thing as stated in #1 & 2 with the letter B, C, D, and E. Let them explore with the letter objects independently, too.



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Extension Object Activities:

1. Cut open the apple to count the seeds!
2. Play a game of ball. Toss, roll, catch, kick, and throw are all actions to practice with your child!
3. Hand your child some tongs or tweezers. Have them transfer cotton balls into a bowl.
4. Have your child pretend play with the dolls.
5. Help your child to take apart and put together the Easter eggs.
6. Go on a walk in the mall to look for letters/words

Milestones to meet:

The child is introduced to letters. The child uses fine-motor skills and senses to explore objects. The child uses their visual development of looking at a letter written to increase their language-capacity and early print-awareness.

Evaluation:

Did this lesson work for your child? Why or why not?