



# Magazine Story

## 3 years to 4 years

**Objective:** The child builds language capacity by creating a story using pictures of real life people and things, and is able to use their words to tell you what they see.

### **Materials needed:**

Kid-friendly magazine - Such as: Parents, Baby Talk, Scholastic, or Family Fun Disney.

White paper

Glue and Scissors (you will use scissors only)

### **Procedures:**

1. Sit in a quiet, comfy area for the first part of this activity. Have your child sit next to you for reading. Go through the magazine with your child.
2. Point to the pictures that resemble specific things, people, or actions.
3. Point to the picture and ask your child "What is that?" or "What are they doing?"
4. Before hand, cut up about 10-20 different pictures you see in the magazine. Cut pictures of things your child is interested in.



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6. On white paper, have your child start gluing on the pictures they choose. They do not have to be in any sort of order, just let them glue where they would like them each to go.

7. After they are finished creating their "picture story", then they get to tell you about it. Ask them this simple question: "Can you tell me what these pictures are and a story about them?" All you have to do is listen and watch as they "learn" how to tell a story about pictures they see.

8. **Extension:** You can point to letters you may see on the pages in the magazine to build letter-word awareness. Point to the letter, say it to your child, then make its 'letter sound.' Have child repeat.

### **Milestones to meet:**

The child builds language capacity and prior knowledge. The child can look at a picture and tell you what it is. The child can glue pictures on paper.

### **Evaluation:**

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