

In the Car

- Have your child read a book aloud (keep decodables in the car)
- Identify rhyming words in a song on the radio or CD player
- Count (rote, how many red cars you see, length of a stop light, etc...)
- Sing the ABC song with sounds instead of letter names
- Find a specific letter on billboards
- Quiz your child on his/her spelling words
- Make up a story where you and your child take turns adding a sentence



At Meal Time

- Have your child help you measure ingredients for a cake
- Have your child calculate what time supper will be ready if a meal takes X number of minutes to prepare
- Talk about the events of the day

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Easy ways to help your child learn

- Discuss fractions and measurement while you are making supper
- Play dominos to work on counting and addition
- Play a board game to learn turn taking skills, left/right, counting, etc...
- Read a story and ask questions
- Have a scavenger hunt to find sight words
- Do a puzzle to practice problem solving skill
- Make a graph showing the number of "hits" made by your favorite baseball team
- Let your child see you read for pleasure
- Count by 2's for the duration of a stop light
- After watching a movie – identify main characters, plot, setting, problem, and solution
- Play school – let your child be the teacher
- Praise good work
- Create a family calendar

Tips for getting homework done

- Do homework the same time everyday
- Do homework the same place everyday
- Have materials easily accessible (paper, pencils, crayons, etc...)
- Finish homework before any other activity
- Read in the car on the way to practice
- Study spelling words while you are in the car
- Use a can of water and a paint brush to paint spelling words on the driveway or side of the house
- Be positive and encouraging



AAGH HOMEWORK!!



Quick and easy tips to help your child with school work.

READING

Fluency

- See how many words your child can read in 1 minute
- Practice sight words in the car
- See if you can name things that begin with each letter of the alphabet
- Look through a magazine and point out pictures that begin with a specific letter of the alphabet

Comprehension

- After reading a story, ask your child “wh’ questions (who, what, when, where, why)
- After reading a page in a story, have your child predict or guess what will happen next
- After reading a passage, have your child retell the main points in his/her own words



MATH

Problem Solving

- Do a puzzle together
- Count out coins to buy a drink from a machine
- Predict how many chocolate chips are in a cookie
- Make a chart to show the “wins” of a favorite sports team
- Graph the family’s Playstation scores
- Find shapes around the house or when you are driving
- Have your child sort fruit snacks before eating them



Fact Recall

- Make up a cheer to remember math facts
- Roll a pair of dice (or use dominos) and add the numbers together
- Count EVERYTHING (windows in the car, M&M’s in a package, letters in the mail, etc...)
- Write math facts on a mirror or with side walk chalk

LANGUAGE

Vocabulary

- Use new words in a sentence and have your child try to guess what it means
- Explain the meanings of new words when reading a story
- Pick an adjective – you and your child make a list of all of the words that mean the same thing.
- Sequence the events of the day
- Go to the library

Writing

- Write a story about a family trip
- Practice writing words using creative spelling
- Let your child know that everyday events can be a story
- Choose a topic and make a story web
- Have your child draw a picture and label the items in the picture



At Bath Time

- Write spelling words in soap bubbles
- Have your child predict which toys will sink and which ones will float
- Take the temperature of the water
- Use measuring cups to measure the water (how many ¼ cups does it take to fill up 1 cup, etc...)

At Bedtime

- Read and discuss a story
- Count how long it takes to get ready for bed
- Help your child graph how long they sleep each night
- Discuss the weather for the next day – pick out the clothes that are most appropriate for the weather

