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1-50 **Reading Log**

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Reading

Read with your child - it's never too early to start! When you're reading, make sure your child can see your face and the book you are sharing. Notice what your child is looking at in the book and name it.



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Talking

Talk about the objects you see outside the house or when on an outing - for example, the rustling of leaves or the sounds of birds or traffic. Ask your child if they can make the sounds for wind, rain. water, airplanes, trains and cars.



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Singing

Sing nursery rhymes with your child when you are at home, in the car, or out and about. Children love to sing, and nursery rhymes teach your child language, rhythm, repetition and rhymes. Try rhymes like "Baa, Baa Black Sheep," "Miss Polly had a Dolly," or "The Alphabet Song."



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Playing

Encourage your child to use their imagination to turn everyday objects into something different, e.g. "This box is a rocket ship!" Play helps children think symbolically — that this item stands for this thing. This helps them understand that words can stand for real objects or experiences.



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201-250

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Writing

Encourage your child to draw and write using pens, pencils, crayons and markers. They'll probably be excited to add a scribble or drawing on birthday cards or letters.





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Reading and Talking

Make touch books for your child with objects they like to look at and touch — soft fabrics, foil and paper that rustles. Then look through the book together and talk about how each page looks and feels.



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Singing

Find or draw pictures of the characters from your favorite nursery song, like "Old MacDonald." Cut out the characters and tape them to the end of wooden craft sticks to make puppets. Sing the song while acting it out with the puppets.



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Writing

Help your child use playdough to make numbers or the letters of the alphabet.





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Playing

Gather pictures of different signs from the Internet or magazines. Look for street signs, stop signs, restaurant signs, exit signs anything you see in everyday life. Glue the signs to pieces of cardboard, making sure you have two of each picture. Use the cards to play a memory game or a matching game.



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you are doing to it, how it tastes. and what it looks like.

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Reading

Link books with real life experiences. If you have read a book about playing in a park, take your child to the local park and point out swings that look like the ones from the book.





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Singing

Fill empty plastic eggs with beans, rice or lentils to make shakers. Seal them with duct tape. When you are listening to songs, have your child shake them in time to the music while singing along. Using shakers also helps your child to develop the fine motor skills needed to hold a pencil for writing or drawing.



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Reading and Writing

Select a few alphabet letters and move them around to make new sounds — bat, tab, abt — and see which of them are real words. Practice sounding them out letter by letter, then saying the word — for example, "b-a-t makes the word bat."



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Talking

Talk about the sounds animals make and ask your child to copy them. For example, "Cows say moo. Can you say moo?"





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Singing

Glue the lids onto empty food containers. Use duct tape to fasten three containers together in a triangle or straight line. Have fun tapping the tops of the containers to make rhythms while you and your child sing along to favourite songs.



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Reading

Look for alphabet books and other books with patterns and repetition. These books help your child to hear the rhythm of language.





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Writing

Point out different types of print such as on shop signs or movie posters when you're out and about with your child. Explain how print can be used to name different places or things.



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Talking and Singing

Use rhymes whenever you can. Use phrases like "snug as a bug in a rug" or make up rhymes about things you are doing - for example, "putting fish in the cat's dish." Older children can make up their own rhymes and learn poems and songs.



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Writing

Give your child opportunities to use letters of the alphabet in different forms — on blocks, puzzle pieces and magnetic letters on the fridge.





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Writing

and Playing

Encourage your child

to write shopping lists or restaurant menus for pretend play.

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