

These are some activities that you can do at home to help your child reinforce what he/she is learning in class.

1. Use a dry erase board, a Magna Doodle, or paper/pencil to practice writing letters, name, and high frequency words.
2. Provide crayons and paper or coloring books for your child to practice coloring at home.
3. Practice cutting. Draw straight, slanted, and curved lines for your child to cut.
4. Practice writing letters, words, and numbers in salt, sugar, or sand.
5. Use alphabet flash cards in random order.
6. Find letters, numbers, and words on labels or cereal boxes.
7. Use play dough or clay to form letters, numbers, or words. (This will also strengthen the hand muscles.)
8. Read to your child. Have him/her find letters and high frequency words that we have studied in the stories.
9. Work with your child on rhyming words and nursery rhymes. Give your child two words that rhyme and have him/her tell you another word(s) that rhyme with them. (ex: see, bee another word is tree)
10. Have your child sort objects by their attributes (color, size, and shape.)
ex: colored popcorn, three or more kinds of beans, several types of pasta, buttons
11. Create and extend patterns using beans, colored popcorn, pasta, and other household items.
12. Practice counting to 100.
13. Have your child count out the appropriate number of objects after being told a number or shown a numeral.
14. Write the numerals from 1-20 on index cards. Have your child identify them and put them in the correct order.

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