



Every ^{Your} Child Ready to Read

"Colors" Toddler Time @ Corinth Library

Extension Activities to help practice the six pre-reading skills*
your child can start learning from birth!

1. Narrative Skills: Being able to describe things and events and tell stories.

- Talk with your child about what we did at toddler time today.
- Can the two of you retell what happened in one of these stories from today :

<u>A Rainbow All Around Me</u> By Sandra L. Pinkney	<u>Baby Shoes</u> by Dashka Slater
<u>My World of Color</u> by Margaret Wise Brown	<u>Dog's Colorful Day</u> by Emma Dodd
- Check out a book to read at home and then talk about what happens first, next and last in the story.

2. Print Motivation: Being interested in and enjoying books.

- Children who enjoy books will want to learn to read, help your child pick a book she/he wants to take home.
- Let your child see you reading for your enjoyment.

3. Vocabulary: Knowing the name of things.

- Ask your child to name things that might be red, blue, yellow or another color.

4. Print Awareness: Noticing print, knowing how to handle books & how to follow the words on a page.

- When you read to your child, point to some of the words as you say them, especially words that are repeated.

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5. Letter Knowledge: Knowing letters are different from each other, knowing their names and sounds and recognizing letters everywhere.

- Help your child play with the letter “C”: You can draw it with a crayon, shape it out of play dough, line up carrot circles on their lunch plate.

6. Phonological Awareness: Being able to hear and play with the smaller sounds in words.

- Say the rhymes from toddler time at home. Rhymes help children hear the sounds that make up words, a skill that helps children sound out words as they begin to read.
- Sing the songs from toddler time, in most songs each syllable in a word gets a different note.

Rainbow Colors

Tune: Twinkle, Twinkle

Red and orange, green and blue,
shiny yellow, purple too!
These are the colors that we know,
Way up high in the great rainbow.
Red and orange, green and blue,
Shiny yellow, purple too!

If Your Clothes Have Any Red

Tune: If Your Happy

If your clothes have any red, any red,
If your clothes have any red, any red,
If your clothes have any red, put your finger on your
head, If your clothes have any red, any red.

If your clothes have any blue, any blue,
If your clothes have any blue, any blue,
If your clothes have any blue, count your fingers up to
two, if your clothes have any blue, any blue.

If your clothes have any yellow, any yellow,
If your clothes have any yellow, any yellow,
If your clothes have any yellow, sit back down and
look real mellow,
If your clothes have any yellow, any yellow.

I Love Colors

Chorus: I love colors, yes I do!
Red and orange and green
and blue! I love colors,
dark or bright, yellow, purple, black
and white!

What is red? Juicy beets!
What is brown? Chocolate treats!
What is white? A shiny moon!
What is gray? A big baboon!

Chorus

What is orange? Carrot sticks!
What is yellow? Baby chicks!
What is gold? Bright gold fish!
What is black? Licorice!

Chorus

Color Fellows

Red, green, blue and yellow;
these are the color fellows.

Hold yours up when you hear
it's name. It's time to play the
color game

Red, red, move so high; reach and
try to touch the sky.

Green, green, move round
and round. Circle up and down.

Blue, blue, move left to right;
move until you're out of sight.

Yellow, yellow, move front to
back; Keep on moving, stay on
track.



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