



Every Your Child Ready to Read

"Teddy Bear" 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 you and your child retell what happened in one of these stories from today :
My Old Teddy by Dom Mansell My Secret Place by Erica Magnus Teddy Bear Picnic by Jimmy Kennedy
Good Times with Teddy Bear by Jacqueline McQuade Teddy Bear, Teddy Bear, Turn Around by Penny Dann
- 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 the parts of his favorite teddy bear.
- Point to parts not named by your child and see if they know the words.

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

- Let your child hold a book and "read" the story from
- 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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<http://www.ala.org/ala/pla/plaissues/earlylit/earlyliteracy.htm>

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 “T”: You can draw it with a crayon, shape it out of play dough or line up tomato wedges in the shape of the letter 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.

Three Brown Bears

Tune: Three Blind Mice

Three brown bears, three brown bears.
See all their beds, see all their chairs.
The mommy cooked in a big brown pot.
The daddy’s porridge was much too hot,
The baby bear always cried a lot.
Three brown bears.

You are my Teddy Bear

Sung to: "You Are My Sunshine"

You are my teddy bear
My only teddy bear
You make me smile dear
You are my friend
You'll never know dear
How much I like you
I'm so glad you're my
Teddy Bear today.

Five Little Bears: Counting up

One little bear, Wondering what to do
Along came another
Then there were two!
Two little bears, Climbing up a tree
Along came another
Then there were three!
Three little bears, Ate an apple core
Along came another
Then there were four!
Four little honey bears,
Found honey in a hive.
Along came another
Then there were five!

Bear Song

Sung to: "Row, row, row your boat"

Hug, hug, hug your bear,
Squeeze him very tight.
Hold him high, help him fly,
Then hug with all your might.

Teddy Bear

Teddy Bear, Teddy Bear, turn around,
Teddy Bear, Teddy Bear, touch the ground,
Teddy Bear, Teddy Bear, reach up high
Teddy Bear, Teddy Bear, wink one eye,
Teddy Bear, Teddy Bear, slap your knees,
Teddy Bear, Teddy Bear, sit down please.



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