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Pre-Reading Foundational Skills

A set of language and literacy-related skills that can begin to be established as early as infancy and that prepare children with the precursor foundational skills critical to learning to read. Some of the most important of those skills include oral language development, phonological/phonemic awareness, concepts of print, alphabetic knowledge, and fine motor skills. Building these skills should start as early as possible, and many will continue throughout the initial stages of more formal and critical evidence-based structured instruction.

DID YOU KNOW?



Print Awareness

- The ability to recognize print/words in the environment (signs, billboards, menus etc.)
- The ability to recognize that print/words carry meaning
- Knowing the parts of a book (front cover, spine, pages etc.)
- The ability to recognize that words are made up of letters
- Knowledge that books are read from top to bottom with each sentence read from left to right.

HELPFUL TIPS

Help develop your child's concept of print:

- Teach kids the parts of a book . (front & back cover, title, author, spine etc.)
- When reading to child move finger under words/sentences from left to right.
- When reading to child point out that we read the page from top to bottom
- Point out letters and words in your environment. (signs, posters, billboards etc.)

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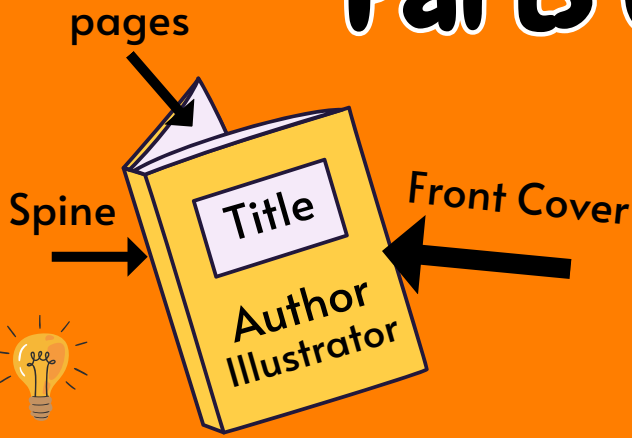
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Parts of a Book!



While reading books to young children, point out words & letters, show kids that you start at the top of the page and read each sentence from left to right until you get to the bottom of the page (direction of print)

Point out words and letters in your environment.

I Spy the letter s...



Menus, logos, billboards and food wrappers have words & letters that can be used to introduce print.

There are 4 words on this sign...

Print Awareness, Environmental Print, Concepts of Print

Make a collage book with images of signs/logos etc. Talk about the words and letters in the images.



Make alphabet magnet letters available for play.



Play cards games with letter cards. Matching upper & lowercase letters etc.



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