











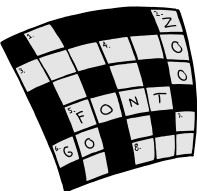


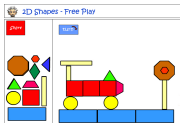


Educational Activity 2+ years	Purpose	Activity
<p>Cutting skills</p> 	<p>Young children need to learn how to use scissors. There are scissors specially designed for young children to use while learning to cut.</p>  <p>These scissors have bigger grips and the blades are not as sharp as on regular scissors.</p>	<p>What activities could you do to help children in childcare learn how to use scissors?</p>
<p>Learning the alphabet</p> 	<p>Learning to read and write begins with learning about the alphabet. Young children need to learn about the letters of the alphabet. Lots of games and activities can help children learn about the letters of the alphabet.</p> <p><i>"ABCDEFGH..IJKLMNOP..."</i></p>  	<p>What activities could you do to help children in childcare learn about the alphabet?</p>
<p>Pre-writing skills</p> 	<p>Learning to write begins with learning about holding and controlling a pencil. Young children need to learn how to hold and draw with crayons and pencils. Crayons are often used first as these are thicker and easier to grip.</p> 	<p>What activities could you do to help children in childcare learn how to hold and control a pencil or crayon?</p>
<p>Learning numbers</p> 	<p>Maths is all about understanding numbers. Young children need to learn about numbers by hearing and seeing them used. Lots of games and activities can help children learn about numbers.</p> <p><i>"1,2,3,4,5 once I caught a fish alive"</i></p>  	<p>What activities could you do to help children in childcare learn about numbers?</p>
<p>Learning colours</p> 	<p>Colours need to be taught to young children.</p>  <p>Young children need to learn about colours – and the names of different colours.</p>  <p>Honey Ant Readers)</p>	<p>What activities could you do to help children in childcare learn about colours?</p>
<p>Learning sounds</p> 	<p>Learning new sounds is important for young children. Learning to communicate through speech and to read and write starts with listening to sounds and learning to say these sounds.</p>	<p>What activities could you do to help children in childcare learn about sounds?</p>
<p>Learning words</p> 	<p>Learning words and understanding how and when to use them is all about developing communication skills. Young children need to hear new words spoken, see words written and try saying and using new words themselves.</p>	<p>What activities could you do to help children in childcare learn new words?</p>
<p>Learning shapes</p> 	<p>Young children need to be taught the names of different shapes and given the opportunity to experiment with different shapes and make things, play with shapes, colour shapes etc.</p>  	<p>What activities could you do to help children in childcare learn about shapes?</p>