

# Playing with numbers

- Sing or chant counting songs or nursery rhymes such as '5 current buns in a bakers shop.'
- Count the stairs with your child as you go up or down them.
- Count how many cars or buses etc go past you as you walk along the road.
- Count how many people are getting on or off the bus or tram.
- Read house numbers.
- Read/recognise numbers in the environment e.g. buses.

## Colours

- When playing with your child talk about colour for example ask them to pass you the blue car or the doll with the yellow hair. Talk about colours in clothes, green T-shirt, red socks.



## Shapes

- Look for and name shapes around the home or whilst out and about, for example a clock that might be a circle, a rug may be a rectangle.



## Creative

- Children enjoy cutting and sticking, these skills can be practised by making pictures or cards for people who are special to them.



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How can I help my child at home?



## Literacy - Playing with sounds.

- Look at print in the environment, practice initial sounds from signs and logos, e.g. m for McDonalds or Morrisons, T for Tesco.
- Play 'I Spy'
- practice sound 'zappers'



## Reading at home



- Read lots of stories to your child.
- Ask them to tell you a story by looking at the pictures.
- Read environmental print with them whilst out and about. Some children can read names of shops regularly visited.
- Practice reading you child's school reading book with them
- Practice reading high frequency words when sent home from school .

## Writing - Encourage

your child to write their own name on writing birthday or Christmas cards.



- Ask them to help with shopping lists.

Children love to do practical tasks



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