

## March, 2020 Storytime Theme: More ABC Adventures







*Curious George Learns the Alphabet* ABC and 123 Sesame Street by H.A.Rey



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The Hidden Alphabet Laura Vaccaro Seeger

- When I discovered Bobbie the Bookworm chewing on a book in my bag, I asked the chil-TALK dren to tell Bobbie what books are really for, how they should be treated, and what are their favorite books kinds of books.
- We sang "The ABC Song" fast, then slow, then following directions to stretch out some of SING the letters and race over others.
- The children went "fishing" for letters, with a wand magnet and magnetic plastic letters. When PLAY they "caught" a letter, they were asked to find the letter on the ABC chart on the magnetic board and to place the plastic letter beneath it.

I wrote each child's name in large letters on a piece of paper, then using the "ABC and 123" book, I turned to the pages of the first letters of the children's names and asked them to find things that begin with their first letter's sound.

The children made a collage using their names from the above activity. They traced over the letters WRITE with a glue stick, and attached paper dots, tissue paper squares, small construction paper shapes, and stickers.

## **ALPHABET GAMES:**

Letter Hunt: Write letters on post-it notes and place them all around the room. Call out a letter for the children to find, and count how many they do.

Q-tip Eraser Race: Write letters with a dry erase marker on a board, and call out letters that the children must erase with Q-tips!

Make a simple Name Puzzle: Write each child's name twice on a piece of cardboard or cardstock. Cut the names apart and cut out each letter of one of the names. Let the children reassemble their name using the intact one as a guide.

ABC "Basket" Ball: Write letters on ping pong balls or paper circles with a sharpie and put them in a basket. Put another basket at the opposite end of the room. Let each child pick a letter and take it to the empty basket, following your directions: walk, crawl, hop, roll, scoot!

If there are certain kinds of books or materials you would like me to bring out to you, just call me at : 717-207-0500 ext. 1201, or email : mbenson@lancasterlibraries.org

We try to achieve the 6 early literacy skills - Print Motivation, Print Awareness, Letter Knowledge, Vocabulary, Phonological Awareness (such as rhyming words), and Narrative Skills – by including 5 basic activities in our lesson plans: TALK, SING, READ, WRITE, PLAY.

## **EASY ABC Activities**



Write letters on clothespins that can be matched with letters on a piece of cardboard.



Write letters or a child's name using a white crayon, then let children "discover" them by painting over them with water color paints.



An easy way to teach a child to write their name.

## KABOOM!

Children choose craft sticks marked with letters until someone gets "KABOOM" !



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