

## **Everyday Activities to Share with Your Preschooler (Ages 3-5)**

- ★ Read together and talk about what you are reading
- ★ As you read, ask questions that don't have a yes or no answer
- ★ Go to the library for **Storytime** and let your child pick out some books to take home
- ★ Read favorite books over and over
- ★ Take turns pointing out the first word on a page or line of a familiar book
- ★ Have your child dictate an e-mail or letter and send it
- ★ Write words or stories that your child tells to you and display it on the refrigerator
- ★ Keep paper, crayons and markers available
- ★ Help your child tell a story using props and dramatic voices
- ★ Play word games together:
  - "I See Something"-I see something that starts with the same sound as (Child's Name). Can you find it?
  - "Same Sounds"-Make up silly sentences with words that begin with the same sound.
  - "Jack and Jill jumped and jiggled with Joe!"
  - "Fill in the Rhyme"-I know a cat that sat on a \_\_\_\_ and wore a \_\_\_\_ and chased a
- ★ Match magnetic letter with those in <a href="Chicka Chicka Boom Boom">Chicka Chicka Boom Boom</a> or other alphabet books
- ★ Name the many things you see at the playground or grocery store
- ★ Read cereal boxes, menus, and street signs as you go through your day
- ★ Talk about events of the day during bath time
- ★ Make a snack together and talk about how to do it
- ★ Play pretend games together where your child becomes a doctor, truck driver, or librarian
- ★ Make up new verses of familiar songs and rhymes like "Old MacDonald" or "Down By the Bay"
- ★ Set up a shelf of books in your child's room



## When choosing books for a preschooler, look for:

Interesting stories and characters
Folk and fairy tales
Rich language
Many different styles of illustration
Poetry and stories told in rhyme
Cumulative stories
Wordless picture books
Real world subjects
Preschool concepts

## Here are a few favorites to share. Check out these and many more at your library!

Neighborhood Mother Goose by Nina Crews
Pete the Cat and His Four Groovy Buttons by James Dean
Last Stop on Market Street by Matt de la Peña
Drum Dream Girl: How One Girl's Courage Changed Music by Margarita Engle
African Animal Alphabet by Beverly and Dereck Joubert
The Snowy Day by Ezra Jack Keats
Frog and Toad are Friends by Arnold Lobel
Chicka Chicka Boom Boom by Bill Martin
Just a Minute by Yuyi Morales
Lion and the Mouse by Jerry Pinkney
Down by the Bay by Raffi
Where the Wild Things Are by Maurice Sendak



## Libros en Español para niños de 3-5 años:

Maria had a little Ilama/María tenía una Ilamita por Angel Dominguez

Siesta por Ginger Foglesong Guy

Nochecita por Yuyi Morales

I am Latino: The Beauty in Me por Sandra L. Pinkney

Huevos Verdes con Jamón por Dr. Seuss



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The Dark by Lemony Snicket

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