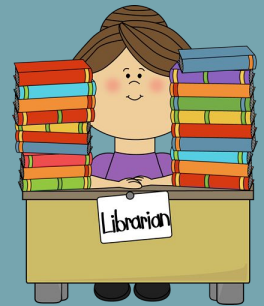


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Reading with your child

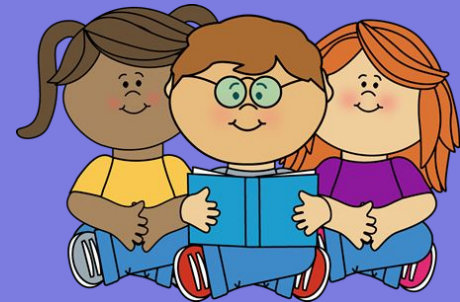
- Have your child hold the book while sitting in your lap
- Let your child finish the sentences if reading with you
- Point to the words as you read so your child associates words with reading
- Encourage your child to 'read the pictures' and talk about them
- Stop and ask your child what they think may happen next in the story - make and check predictions while reading
- Stop and ask your child how they think the character is feeling in the story



Reading with your child

After reading a story with your child you can ask questions:

- What was the setting of the story?
- Who were the characters of the story?
- What happened at the beginning of the story?
- What happened in the middle of the story?
- What happened at the end of the story?
- What was the problem?
- What was the solution?
- Can you retell the story?
 - Including the characters, setting, beginning, middle, and end
 - Including the problem/solution



Pencil Grip

Tripod Grip

Standard grip: Hold pencil with
thumb + index finger.
Pencil rests on middle finger.

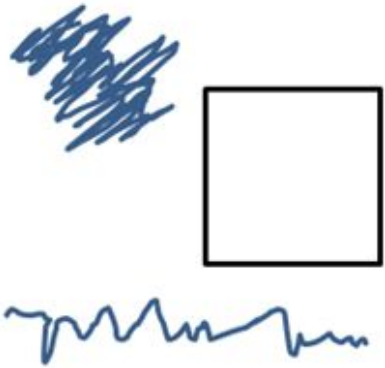
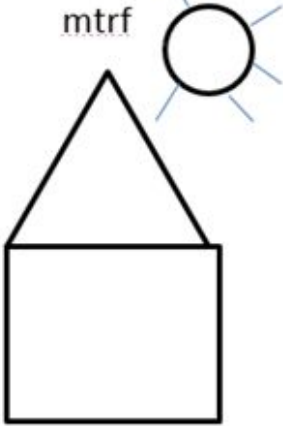
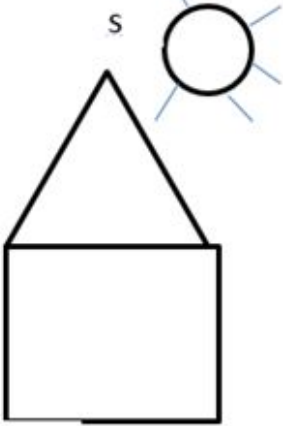
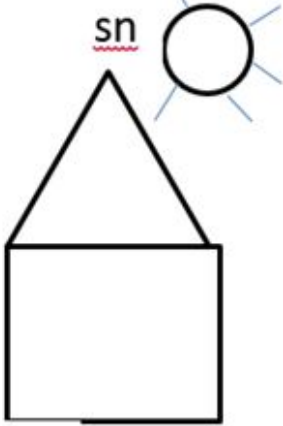


Quadropod Grip

Alternate grip: Hold pencil with
thumb + index and middle fingers.
Pencil rests on ring finger.



Continuum of writing

	 <p>ABCDEF</p>	 <p>h</p>	 <p>hs</p>
<p>Scribble</p>	<p>Draw and Random Letters</p>	<p>Draw and Label Beginning Sounds</p>	<p>Beginning Sounds Plus Tapping</p>

Math Games

- Introduce your child to dice, practice identifying the dots on the dice and quickly recognizing them.
- Dominoes
- Go Fish
 - You can use a normal deck of cards for this - child is able to identify numerals on cards)
- Candyland, Chutes and Ladders, Hi-Ho! Cherry-O, Sneaky Squirrel

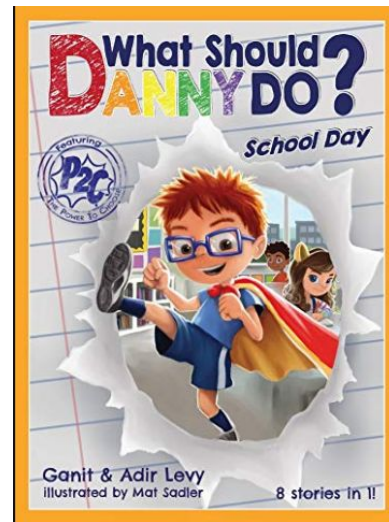
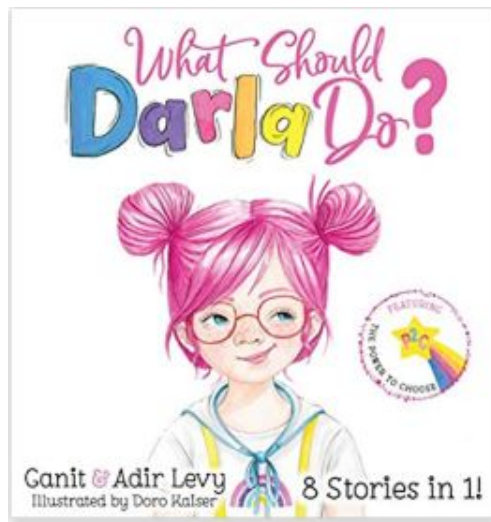
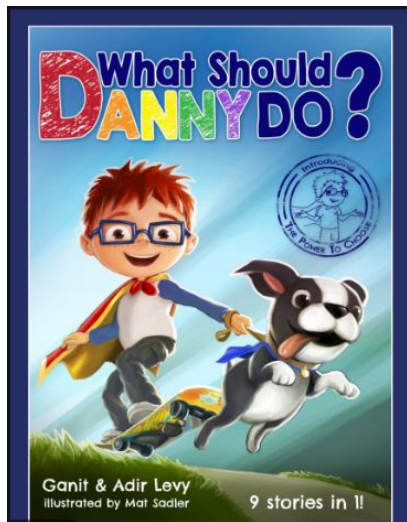


Self Care/Independent Activities

- Follow 2-3 step directions
 - Go to your cubby, get your jacket and lunch, walk back to our line (school)
 - Put on your shoes, brush your teeth, get your water bottle (home)
- Under the supervision of an adult, have your child practice cutting paper with child size scissors. Focus on the open/shut movement as the child holds a piece of paper steady with their opposite hand.

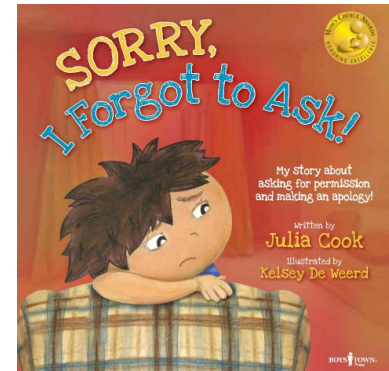
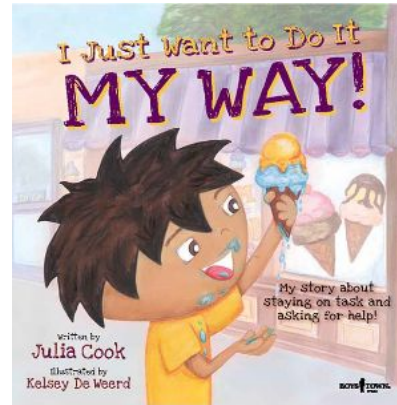
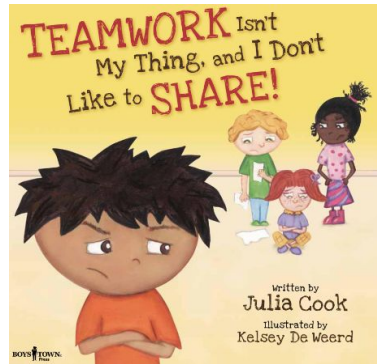
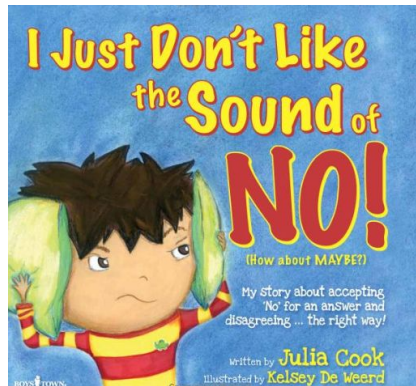
Social/Emotional

This book is similar to a 'choose your own adventure'. It provides problems in Danny or Darla's day, and your child can decide what he/she does when the problem arises. You go to the next page based on your child's decision for Danny or Darla. It helps children understand how their day can change just by one small decision/reaction.



Social Stories

Julia Cook is an author who writes social stories. Social stories teach kids what to do and what to say in different situations. They also teach positive and productive coping skills and offer replacements to inappropriate or socially undesirable behavior. Julia Cook's books can be ordered online but also read aloud on YouTube. Julia Cook has written a social story for just about every behavior imaginable.



QUESTIONS