

# Literacy and Math at Home

Practicing literacy and math at home doesn't have to be boring or consist only of pencil-paper work. Literacy and Math is all around us. Think about what you have read or ways that you used math over the last 24 hours; including simple tasks such as reading labels, books and using numbers and counting. Check out [VBCPS Destination Graduation](#) to find other ideas. To get started, spend some time exploring free resources from [WHRO classroom](#) and the [Virginia Beach Public Library](#).

The activities and websites below are also great ways to engage and support young learners with literacy and mathematics.

## At Home Literacy

"Research presented by the National Center for Education Statistics has proven that family engagement is one of the most important factors of literacy development. Children enter kindergarten at a higher reading level when they have a positive learning environment at home. When literary success is highly encouraged and supported by the family, children are more likely to want to read, enjoy reading, and excel in all areas of academics. Below are a few ways to foster family literacy..." -*International Literacy Association*

- Write a short story with your child using the day's events or their imagination.
- Call [Dial-A-Story](#) (416.395.5400) to listen to a story with your child anytime! The service is available in 16 different languages.
- Involve distant family members in the enjoyment of reading by sharing a book together through video chat apps such as Skype.
- Make puppets of your child's favorite literary characters. Use these puppets to act out a scene from the book or to reimagine a scene in a different way.
- Help your child write to a pen pal. Whether it's a distant friend or family member, consistently writing to a pen pal fosters important writing and storytelling skills.

For more ideas, check out the National Center for Families Learning's [30 Days of Families Learning Together](#) or access public resources available on the [VALS website](#).

## Literacy Online



PreK-2 Literacy Links	3-5 Literacy Links
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## At Home Math



“Your home is a great place for you to begin to explore and “talk” mathematics with your child. Incorporating math activities and language into familiar daily routines will show your child how math works in his everyday life and provide him with a safe environment in which to take risks by trying new things.”-*Helping Your Child Learn Mathematics*

- Practice Shape Recognition
- Solve Jigsaw Puzzles
- Apply Math in Everyday Life
- Practice Sequencing-Put things in order
- Develop an Understanding of Units of Time
- Learn to Identify and Use Money
- Play Family Games With Math

\*For more information visit:

<https://www.doe.virginia.gov/teaching-learning-assessment/k-12-standards-instruction/mathematics/resources-for-families-communities>

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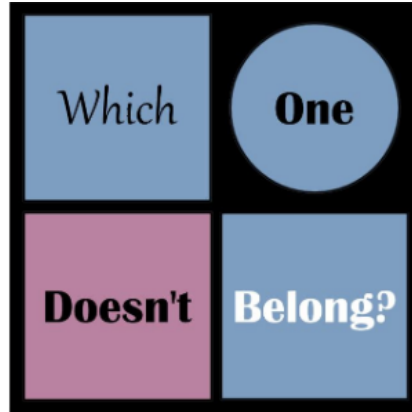
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