

Letter/Sound Recognition Activities

Forget the flashcards and do some hands-on activities that will make learning letters and their sounds fun!



Write letters on a white board or poster board. Have your child use a flyswatter to smack the letter you call out.



Hold up different objects and ask your child what beginning sound he or she hears.



Put a letter on a paper bag and have your child place items inside that start with that letter.



Give your child a notecard with his or her name on it. Say, "Does your name have a ___ in it?" If so, have him or her do something silly, like stand on one foot or hop.



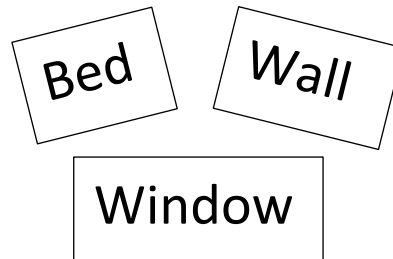
During reading, ask your child to find certain letters on the page.



Give your child newspaper ads or old magazines with instructions to cut out certain letters. (This also works with numbers.)



Point out letters in your environment! Signs, stores, food boxes, etc... all are good places to look for letters!



Label items in your child's room (bed, window, closet, etc) and talk about the words frequently.



Help your child write a letter to someone special. Sound out each word together.