



AT HOME ACTIVITIES FOR 3-YEAR OLDS

Language Activities

- Talk to your child about why he or she is special. What does he or she like about him- or herself? Does he or she have any special talents? What is he or she good at? Ask your child to select one thing that makes him or her special and illustrate it. Write dictation on the drawing.
- Place flour on a tray. What does your child know about flour? Where does it come from? What is it used for? Invite your child to draw shapes and letters in the flour. Challenge your child to draw any letters (or numbers) that he or she knows. Can he or she write his or her name?

Cognitive Activities

- Invite your child to give a baby doll a bath. Talk about why babies need to stay clean. Talk about your child's bath routine at home. Does he or she need help washing? Why do babies need help? Discuss things that your child can do by him- or herself now that he or she could not do when as a baby.
- Invite your child to sit outside, on a blanket or elsewhere, and look up at the sky. Give your child a clipboard with paper and markers. Encourage your child to draw the clouds in the sky. Ask your child who makes the clouds? Do people make clouds, or is it a natural occurrence? Use descriptive language and ask your child open-ended questions about different kinds of clouds.

Character Education

- Talk to your child about cooperation. Discuss how your child might work together with you in the kitchen. Could he or she cooperate to cook a meal, set the table or wash the dishes? Talk about the roles to be played and who is going to perform the tasks. Praise your child for demonstrating cooperation. Talk about how it makes you feel when he or she is helpful.