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## LEARNING AT HOME

United Way of Acadiana Early Head Start believes that early childhood education is key to success in school and in life. Our partnership with families is the foundation for Early Head Start and during this critical time, parent-child interactions will be the cornerstone of learning at home. The coronavirus has impacted our education system and has altered our ability to educate in a traditional way. But, we believe the learning can continue. EHS has created an educational plan that provides parents with simple, yet effective ways to teach their child at home. We encourage you to do these activities with your child, dedicate time to learning and we want you to make it FUN!

**MONDAY**

### SINGING SONGS

Singing is found to be fundamental in learning for young children. Sing songs you know, play music and make up songs too. You will soon find your child doing the same. Songs are also a fantastic and easy way to learn rhythm and rhyme.



**TUESDAY**

### TELL FAMILY STORIES

- Collect some pictures of family members and friends to cut up.
- Glue the pictures to popsicle sticks to make puppets.
- Make up a story about the family.
- Encourage your child to move the puppets around to act out the story.
- Include a few real events along with imaginary events in your story.

**WEDNESDAY**

**TWO STEP PATTERNS**

- Make the game relaxed and use a friendly tone of voice so that your child feels encouraged to listen to you. Begin with directions that ask for two actions: Please find your boots and put them in the closet.
- Create directions to lead her to a surprise: Look in the grocery bag, and then take what you find to the table for our snack.
- Keep your directions simple with two actions at first. As she confidently completes the tasks, add more directions until there are three or four steps

**THURSDAY**

**VIRTUAL ZOO TRIP DAILY AT HOME**

Click on the link and sign up for Zoo Babies virtual field trips to watch these fun interactive videos of the Cincinnati Zoo and Botanical Garden daily <http://cincinnati.zoo.org/education/camps-classes-zoo-troop/zootroop/>

**FRIDAY**

**MAKING X'S AND O'S**

- Create a circle on the floor with blocks.
- Invite your child to sit in the middle. Use the word circle and help her make her own circles with blocks or other materials.
- Help your child trace the rim of a cup with her finger. Talk about the shape as she traces. This is a circle. A circle is round like a pizza.
- Draw big and little circles together using crayons. Your child benefits from the practice even though her circles may be very crooked.

