

# May I Take Your Order?

Age: Preschool-age (3-4 years)

This activity helps your child's development in this domain: Language and Literacy, Cognitive

## What You Need:



- Take-out menu from your child's favorite restaurant
- Pencil
- Jumbo crayons or washable markers
- Colored paper

## What To Do:

1. Talk with your child about his favorite restaurant. Ask him questions such as "What is your favorite food there?" or "Why do you like this restaurant?"
2. Help your child design a take-out menu for a "pretend" restaurant. For ideas, you could look at a real restaurant's take-out menu. Talk about the different categories the menu has such as soups, salads, entrees, drinks, and desserts.
3. Ask him to tell you what he would like on his restaurant's menu and write them down. When you are done writing his suggestions, invite him to decorate the menu with drawings of different foods.
4. Have your child share what he would like to order from the menu he created.
5. Set up a pretend restaurant where one of you "cooks" and serves the "food" and the other orders and "eats" it.



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