

The Reading Puppet

Age: Preschool-age (3-4 years)

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

What You Need:



- Puppet or Stuffed animal
- Picture book

What To Do:

1. Bring out the puppet and introduce it to your child. Explain that the puppet is going to read the book, but will need some help. Encourage your child to interact with the puppet.
2. Begin the activity by having the puppet look for the title, author and illustrator of the book. Since the book is upside-down, the puppet should ask for help from your child. For example, "I want to read this book, but first I need to tell you the title. I can't find it! The book is upside-down. There's the title. What does 'title' mean?"
3. Continue the activity with the puppet asking for your child's help reading the book. For example: "What should I do first if I want to read the book?" "Where should I start reading?" "Help me turn the page." "Can you help me find the picture of _____?"

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