



WRITING DEVELOPMENT Directions

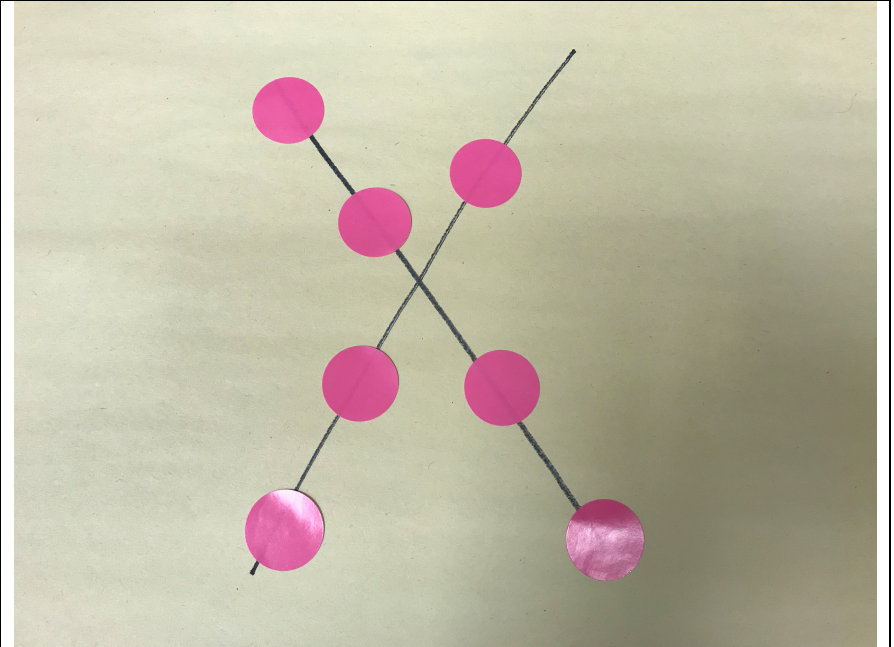
Station 1: Letter Shapes and Stickers

Directions:

Introduce letter shapes with stickers. Please see the Pre-Writing Document for specific guidelines. Use the stickers to create premade letters. This helps kids master pre-writing skills. Prewriting skills include the practice of lines and strokes kids need to master before they print the alphabet.

Writing Development:

- Talk about the kinds of shapes that make letters
- Place stickers in straight line over the marks
- Use crayons to trace over the stickers



Station 2: Sensory Writing Tray

Directions:

Put sand or salt in a round cake pan or tray. You can color it with gel food coloring ahead of time. If you do this, put a few drops in a Ziploc bag and shake it. You can add essential oils for smell. Place a magnetic letter or picture of a letter in the sand and help your child copy the letter in the sand.

Writing Development:

- Identify letters
- Compose letters in the sand
- Discuss the shapes used to form the letters
- Start with the letters in their names.
- Practice upper case letters first because they are larger letters to write.



Station 3: Toothpick Construction

Directions:

This activity will allow your child to work on finger dexterity and bilateral coordination, essential skills for pre-writing. Divide the play dough into equal sized pieces. Then allow them to create circles and create shapes with toothpicks.

Writing Development:

- Talk about the creations
- Discuss the shapes that being created



Station 4: Roll-On Painting Station

Directions:

Use paper and the roll-on paints to develop pre-writing skills.

Writing Development:

- Practice drawing
- Use the paint roll-on to create letters
- Practice writing names



Station 5: Dough and Tool Station

Directions:

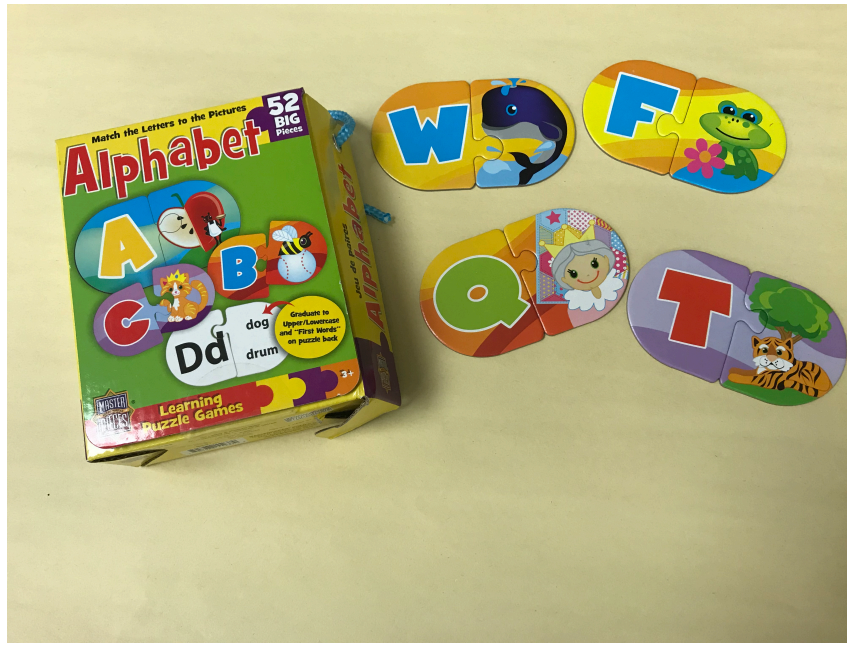
Assist your child as they play and create with dough.

Writing Development:

- Develop finger dexterity by playing with dough balls.
- Assisting with eye-hand coordination will help children as they develop skills necessary for writing development
- Encourage children to use a variety of tools.



Station 6: Phonemic Awareness Match-Up Puzzles



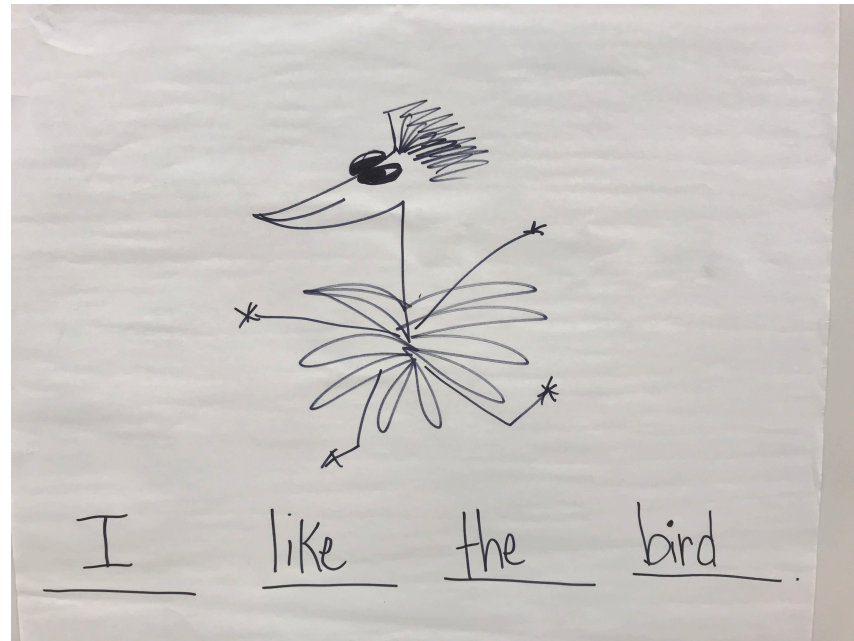
Directions:

Assist your child as they develop phonemic awareness. They will need to match pictures with the same sound.

Writing Development

- Practice beginning sounds
- Develop vocabulary with discussion of pictures.

Whole Group Activity: Interactive Writing



Directions:

On a large chart paper, create a story with the help of the students in the session.

Writing Development:

- Practice creating an illustration that matches the story
- Talk about how words tell the story
- Write a sentence that goes along with the story
- Search for letters in the sentence that they are familiar with or that match the letters in their names.