



FAMILY RESOURCE GUIDE

Resources to support you at home with your child

Simple ways to extend your child's learning

- **Respond to Curiosity**

Tips: Join your child in their curiosity, help your child relate their discovery to prior knowledge, ask open-ended questions, help your child *find* answers to their questions

- **Have Conversations**

Tips: Be a good listener, use interesting/rich language, talk about topics that are interesting to your child

- **Inspire Imaginative Play**

Tips: Be a player! It might feel uncomfortable at first, but by joining your child in imaginative play they're learning from you how to play and learning through those experiences.

- **Solve Problems Together**

Tips: Allow children to be part of brainstorming solutions to everyday problems – can't reach an object, ran out of napkins, a torn page in the book, etc.

- **Ask Questions**

Tips: Be patient, give children time to think, use good question starters such as:

- How did you figure that out?
- What does that remind you of?
- What do/did you notice?
- What part of the story was your favorite?
- Why do you think that happened?

(Dombro, Jablon, & Stetson, 2011)



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Brain building moments

A natural, easy way to add learning to your daily routine. For easy-to-use and easy-to-do tips and tools to use in real time, you can download the Vroom education app, follow their Facebook page, follow their Instagram profile, or go directly to their website.

SERVE AND RETURN

Serve and return is the simple practice of noticing and responding to children's cues. "When caregivers are sensitive and responsive to a young child's signals and needs, they provide an environment rich in serve and return experiences. ...When an infant or young child babbles, gestures, or cries, and an adult responds appropriately with eye contact, words, or a hug, neural connections are built and strengthened in the child's brain that support the development of communication and social skills." (developingchild.harvard.edu)



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