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Week 19: Let's Build It! **Overview & Preparation** 468 **Learning Centers** 472 Day 1 Things I Can Build475 Day 2 Introduce *Ww*, List *Ww* Words, ASL *Ww*480 Day 3 Compare Versions of *The Three Little Pigs*484 Day 4 Introduce *Hh*, List *Hh* Words, ASL *Hh*.....486 Day 5

Week 19: Let's Build It!

This week you will teach the children about building materials and construction through the story of *The Three Little Pigs*. The children will also:

- practice blending onsets and rimes and consonant/vowel/consonant words
- learn /w/ and /h/ and identify initial /w/ and initial /h/ words

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- rediscover the folk tale literary style
- build houses from straw, sticks, or paper bricks
- discuss beginning, middle, and end
- count and clap words in sentences
- learn how to measure the height of a construction
- make paper bag character puppets
- dramatize The Three Little Pigs

Starfall Books & Other Media

The Three Little Pigs as told by Brandi Chase

The Three Little Pigs Sequence Cards

ABC for Gingerbread Boy and Me by Starfall

Starfall American Sign Language Poster

Starfall Sing-Along Volume 2

Starfall's Selected Nursery Rhymes

Preparation



Prior to Day 1, cut red construction paper into small rectangles to resemble bricks, and purchase several boxes of toothpicks or craft sticks and bags of straw or drinking straws for children to use in building their own *Three Little Pig* themed houses.

Day One

Morning Meeting — Have sticky notes available, and prepare a sheet of chart paper with the sentence stem: *I can build a* (blank).

Circle Time — You will need a ball of white yarn for use in creating a web.

Story Time — Have straw, sticks and a brick available to demonstrate building materials.

Small Group — Divide a sheet of chart paper into three columns labeled *Straw*, *Sticks*, and *Bricks*. Attach the corresponding Picture Cards next to the labels.





Hh

Three Little Pigs

Day Two

Circle Time — Prepare two sentence strips: The spider is weaving a web.; The spider catches flies in the web.

Small Group — Prepare a large construction paper rectangle for each child. Have the chart paper materials list from **Day 1** available.

Day Three

Morning Meeting — Use blocks to build a tower that is taller than Gingerbread Boy and place it on a tray. Tape together paper strips to create a nonstandard measurement unit.

Story Time — Have an alternate version of *The Three Little Pigs* available for comparison. Suggestions include:

- The Three Little Pigs by Paul Galdone
- The Three Little Pigs by Sally Bell
- The Three Little Pigs by James Marshall

Optional: After comparing stories from the little pig's perspective, choose and compare a version told from the wolf's point of view, such as:

- The True Story of the Three Little Pigs by Jon Scieszka
- The Three Little Wolves and the Big Bad Pig by Eugene Trivizas

Small Group — You will need a lunch-sized paper bag for each child, and pink, gray and black construction paper for creating character puppets.

Day Four

Story Time — Choose a book about construction. You will be asked to choose a second construction book in Week 20 and the children will compare and contrast it with the construction book you read on Day Four. Suggestions include:

- The Construction Alphabet Book by Jerry Pallotta
- Building a House by Byron Barton
- One Big Building: A Counting Book About Construction by Michael Dahl

Small Group — Have the response list from today's Morning Meeting available.

Day Five

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Morning Meeting — Choose music for "Freeze-a-Roo."

Looking Ahead

Collect recycled round oatmeal and snack containers with their lids for the children to use to create drums in Week 20.

I had the best time last night building a bridge with blocks. Do you like to build things?

Your pal,

Gingerbread Boy

I loved the beginning, middle, and end of **The Three Little Pigs**. My favorite was the end. I was surprised! Love,

Day

Gingerbread Boy

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I built a big tower last night with blocKs. It is taller than I am! Your friend,

Gingerbread Boy

Day 4

Day 5

Day 3

I love the ending of **The Three Little Pigs** when the pigs and wolf became friends. I wonder what they did together.

Your pal,

Gingerbread Boy

I would love to see you perform the story of **The Three Little Pigs**. I could be your audience. Love,

Gingerbread Boy

WEEK 19	Day One	Day TWO
	GATHERIN	G ROUTINE
Morning Meeting	Gingerbread Boy's Message "I can build…"	Gingerbread Boy's Message Beginning, middle, end (blend letters into words) Review <i>a, b, e, f, m, n, o, p, w</i>
	LEARNING	CENTERS
Circle Time Story Time	 Phonological Awareness: Blend onset and rime Introduce and listen for /w/ Create a yarn web "Web" riddle "Eensy, Weensy Spider" Building materials The Three Little Pigs Vocabulary: inexpensive, siblings, sticks, straw, bricks, sturdy 	Phonological Awareness: Words in a sentence Introduce Ww Introduce ASL sign for Ww List initial /w/ words ABC for Gingerbread Boy and Me Sing "Where Is /w/?" The Three Little Pigs Beginning, middle, end of story The Three Little Pigs Sequence Cards
Small Group & Exploration	Lighter/Heavier Choose building materials	Build houses

"The Builder Song" Measure height Compare heights of structures Phonemic Awareness: Blend Consonant/Vowel/Consonant	GATHERIN Gingerbread Boy's Message	
"The Builder Song" " Measure height The Compare heights of structures Phonemic Awareness: Blend Phonemic Awareness: Blend Systems		
Consonant/Vowel/Consonant Sy	"The More We Get Together" The Three Little Pigs	Gingerbread Boy's Message Practice for dramatization with paper bag puppets
Consonant/Vowel/Consonant Sy	LEARNING	CENTERS
"Humpty Dumpty" Li A Si The Three Little Pigs Compare and contrast alternate story versions	Phonological Awareness: Syllables in Words Introduce <i>Hh</i> Introduce ASL sign for <i>Hh</i> List initial /h/ words ABC for Gingerbread Boy and Me Sing "Where Is /h/?" Teacher's Literature Choice: Construction "Cathy's Hammers" Vocabulary: construct	Phonological Awareness: Blend onset and rime "Wee Willie Winkie" Listen for initial /w/ "Humpty Dumpty" Alphabetical order Match Picture Cards to initial letters "This Little Piggy Went to Market" Dramatize <i>The Three Little Pigs</i>
puppets	Illustrate and write or dictate sentences about a play date with the pigs or wolf	Introduce "Gingerbread Boy's Parking Lot"

WEEK 19 LEARNING CENTERS

Math

Sorts two- and threedimensional shapes

Technology

Uses technology independently to explore concepts and gain information

Moves a cursor to a target on the screen

Creative Arts

Experiments with a variety of art materials

Shows care and persistence in a variety of art projects

Fine Motor Skills

Demonstrates control, strength, and dexterity to manipulate objects

Reading

Reading

and effect

Technology

Recognizes cause

Enjoys electronic forms

of storybooks and

informational texts

Understands how to

open or close windows and use the "back" button

Recognizes cause and effect

Computer Center

Activity — Children enjoy *Math*: Geometry & Measurement, "Sort 2D/3D Shapes" and "Measurement" activity.

Interaction & Observation

- As you visit the Computer Center, notice whether children understand the basic differences between
 - two- and three-dimensional shapes by having them explain in their own words.

Art Center

Preparation — Display illustrations of pigs in the Art Center, and give the children freedom to design their own pigs.

.ст,	Pink tempera paint
	Art paper for easel
	Black markers

Materials

Materials

Computers set up to access

Starfall.com

Headsets

Activity — Children create their own little pigs using pink paint and black markers for eyes and other details.

Suggest they give their pigs names, and assist in writing them on their papers with black markers. Display their artwork on classroom walls.

Interaction & Observation

- Allowing children to paint with only one color helps them learn how to use more or less paint on the brush to create lighter and darker shades, and to experience cause and effect.
- Children should experiment with paint rollers, cotton, sponges and craft sticks in addition to paint brushes.

Library Center

Preparation — Book suggestions include:

- Oliver Pig and the Best Fort Ever by Jean Van Leeuwen
- Olivia by Ian Falconer
- Pigs by Robert Munsch
- Puddle's ABC (Toot & Puddle) by Holly Hobbie

Activity — Children read and listen to the available books.

Interaction & Observation

- Nonfiction books about pigs can help children research factual information about them, such as what they eat, how guickly they grow, and why they love to roll in the mud.
- Children gain a better understanding of the world around them through books. They develop their skills in making predictions and cause and effect (e.g., the wolf will blow the house down if the pig builds it with sticks). They also make connections between stories and information they already know.

Materials
The Three Little Pigs as told by
Brandi Chase
Read-Along Audio CDs
Books about pigs and

construction

Dramatic Play Center

Activity — Children drape sheets or blankets over chairs or small tables as they pretend to build the straw, stick, and brick homes of the little pigs. They act out parts of the three pigs and the wolf.

Interaction & Observation

- Place copies of *The Three Little Pigs* in the Dramatic Play Center, including those in other languages. If you read other versions of the story to the children, add them to the center as well.
- Observe how the dramatization changes and listen to the language development that acting out a story can promote.

Construction Center

Activity — Challenge the children to plan and build a home the wolf cannot blow down. When their construction is complete, they measure the height of their houses using nonstandard units of measure such as connect cubes, links, paper strips, or cut-out handprints.

Interaction & Observation

- When interacting with children in the Construction Center, talk about nonstandard measures and ask them what other ways they might measure and compare the height of their buildings.
- Provide paper and pencils for children to record the number of cubes or links they used to measure the height.
- Have children explain whether their original building plans worked, or if they made modifications to them

Writing Center

Activity — Children pretend they are a fourth pig in the story of The Three Little Pigs. They illustrate their own houses and write or dictate a sentence or two about the materials they used to build them. Combine the pages to create a class book, The Fourth Little Pig, and place it in the Library Center.

Interaction & Observation

- Encourage the children to think of all the different materials they might use to build a house. (mud, leaves, bales of hay)
- Find pictures of houses created from unusual materials to display in this center.
- As you observe children write, notice if they hold their pencils/crayons correctly, whether they write recognizable letters, and whether they are able to hear letter-sound connections. Doing so will help you better meet their needs in the future.

Materials

Sheets, blankets, chairs

Materials

nonstandard units of measure

Connect cubes, links or other

Paper, pencils

Sign that reads

Hard hats

Large and small blocks

"Construction Zone"

Materials

Manila paper for each child

Pencils, crayons

Copies of The Three Little Pigs

Creative Arts

Engages in cooperative pretend play with other children

WEEK19 • CENTERS

Engages in spontaneous and imaginative play using a variety of materials to dramatize stories and real life experiences

Vocabulary

Identifies real-life connections between words and their use

Approaches to Learning

Demonstrates flexibility. imagination, and inventiveness in approaching tasks and activities

Math

Measures length, weight, height, size, or capacity of one or more objects

Works with others to solve problems

Writing

Recognizes writing as a way of communicating for a variety of purposes, such as giving information, sharing stories, or giving an opinion

Uses dictation or scribbles/writing to convey meaning

Explores lettersound relationships while writing

Social/Emotional Development



Reading

Recognizes cause and effect

Science

Uses tools and equipment to explore objects

Participates in scientific investigations, analyzes, draws conclusions, and communicates results

Develops awareness of the properties of objects

Math

Uses measurable attributes to compare objects

Uses positional words such as in, under, between, down, behind

Science

Understands the use of natural resources

Discovery Center

Preparation — Turn the empty water table into a hands-on magnetic center for children to experiment with magnetism.

Set out various magnets and containers of nuts, bolts, screws, paper clips, metal and plastic jar lids in the water table.

Activity —Children explore the metal and nonmetal materials with magnets and conduct their own science experiments without directions from you.

Interaction & Observation

- Set up experimentation materials then let children take over to learn simple physical science concepts.
- Explain that they can do scientific experiments and see what happens.
- Children learn cause and effect and arrive at their own conclusions through play.

Math Center

Activity — Children use blocks and/or other building materials, such as small wood or pattern blocks, to build small, medium, and large houses for the three little pigs.

Materials

Building blocks and/or other
 building materials

Interaction & Observation

- Sit with the children as they work and listen to their language as they discuss the concepts of small, medium, and large.
- Engage them in conversation regarding observable attributes such as big, bigger, biggest; small, smaller, smallest; long, longer, longest; short, shorter, shortest.
- Encourage children to use relative position terms such as *the roof is on top of the house, the house is under the roof,* and *I am in the house.*
- Discuss natural resources that may be used in building homes, such as wood, bricks, glass, cement and metals.



Gathering

Continue the Gathering Routine and the Emotion Cards Activity from Week 18.

Morning Meeting

Warm l	Jp Y	our	Brain
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Children stand and recite "Cathy's Hammers" (text below)

while performing the appropriate actions. They pass the drum to take turns keeping the beat while the others perform.

Things I Can Build

Read and discuss Gingerbread Boy's message.

Say: Raise your hand if you like to build things. (Children do this.) What do you like to build? (Volunteers respond.) What are some tools you might use to build a house? Indicate the Picture Cards or tools as you discuss how using tools such as saws, screwdrivers and drills make jobs easier.

Continue: What did Gingerbread Boy build? Right, he built a bridge. How do we know? (Volunteers respond.) Yes, we know because Gingerbread Boy told us in his message.

Indicate the chart paper.

Say: Here is a sentence that isn't finished. *I can build a* (blank). Since Gingerbread Boy built a bridge, I will write bridge on a sticky note and add it to the sentence. (Do this.) Let's read the sentence now. (Indicate each word as you read it. Children read with you.)

Remove the sticky note and place it under the sentence stem. Ask: What do you build in the Construction Center? Choose a volunteer to respond and write his or her response on a sticky note. Add the sticky note to the sentence stem. The class repeats the sentence stem and the response. Remove the sticky note and repeat for each child.

Place the chart paper in the Construction Center as a reference for future building ideas.

Materials

Emotions Cards

Materials

Drum or other rhythm instrument

Dragon

Materials

- Tools or tool Picture Cards
- Prepared chart paper

Markers

Sticky notes

Cathy's Hammers

(Make a hammering motion with one fist.) Cathy had one hammer, one hammer, one hammer, Cathy had one hammer, then she had two.

(Make a hammering motion with both fists.) Cathy had two hammers, two hammers, two hammers, Cathy had two hammers, then she had three.

(Make a motion with both fists and one leg.) Cathy had three hammers, three hammers, three hammers, Cathy had three hammers, then she had four.

(Make a motion with both fists and both legs.) Cathy had four hammers, four hammers, four hammers, Cathy had four hammers, then she had five.

(Make a motion with both fists, both legs, and head.) Cathy had five hammers, five hammers, five hammers, Cathy had five hammers, then she went to sleep!

(Pretend you are sleeping.)

WEEK 19 Day One

Social/Emotional Development

Recognizes and identifies emotions in self and others

Shows emotions through facial expressions

Creative Arts

Expresses concepts, ideas or feelings through movement

Creates sound using traditional or handmade instruments

I had the best time last night building a bridge with blocks. Do you like to build things?

Your pal,

Gingerbread Boy

Print Concepts

Recognizes spoken words are represented in written language by specific sequences of letters

Science

Explores simple machines

Speaking & Listening

Engages in conversations with peers and adults

Writing

Contributes to a shared writing experience or topic of interest

WEEK 19 • DAY 1

Social/Emotional Development

Recognizes and identifies emotions in self and others

Social Studies

Understands similarities and respects differences among people

Phonological Awareness

Combines onset and rime to form a familiar one-syllable word

Language Development

Demonstrates the ability to listen, understand, and respond in increasingly complex ways

Phonological Awareness

Recognizes beginning sounds in words

Speaking & Listening

Follows simple and multiple-step directions



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See Learning Centers for Week 19, pages 472-474. After cleanup, the children gather to share times they knew the feelings of classmates because of their facial expressions.

Ci	rcle Time	Materials
	Phonological Awareness: Blending Onset and Rime	None
	Say: Listen to these word parts and then put them tog /w/ /ish/ (wish), /w/ /ork/ (work), /w/ /olf/ (wolf), /w/ /ir	
	Introduce /w/	Materials
		Materials
	Say: Grandmother has a riddle for us. Listen to her	Grandmother
	Say: Grandmother has a riddle for us. Listen to her clues to solve the riddle. Grandmother reads the riddle "Web." The children solve the riddle.	

Display the web, wind, woman and wood Picture Cards.

Say: Here is a picture of a web. Say, web. Web begins with /w/. Say /w/. Continue:

- Wind begins with /w/. Say, wind. Say /w/, wind.
- Woman begins with /w/. Say, woman. Say /w/, woman.
- Say, wood. What sound do you hear at the beginning of wood? Right, /w/.

Say: Listen to these two words to tell which one begins with /w/, web, kite. Right, web begins with /w/. (Children repeat, /w/.) Listen again. Which one begins with /w/, ball or worm? (worm)

Grandmother
Starfall's Selected Nursery
Rhymes (Book & Audio CD)
Picture Cards: web, wind,
woman, wood
Ball of white yarn

Web

I am spun by spiders. I help spiders catch their food. I look like thin thread. *My name begins with /w/.* What am I?

Say: Wave begins with /w/. (Children repeat, wave.) Listen to these words. If you hear /w/ at the beginning of the word, wave your hand. (Demonstrate) If the word doesn't begin with /w/, put your hand on your mouth. Ready? Use water, wig, kittens, spider, wagon, watermelon, and window.

Indicate Nursery Rhymes pages 8 and 9, "Eensy Weensy Spider."

Children describe the illustrations then you read the text. Repeat the nursery rhyme and children join in. Ask: Which word begins with /w/, eensy, weensy, or spider? (weensy) Weensy means very little. What might the spider build or weave after the sun comes out? (a web)

Gather the children in a circle. Grandmother says: Let's pretend we are spiders spinning webs. We'll use yarn since we aren't real spiders.

With your paraprofessional's assistance:

• Gently toss the ball of yarn to a child on the opposite side of the circle while you hold one end.

- Instruct the child to hold part of the yarn and toss the ball to another child. (Each child must continue to hold his or her part of the yarn.)
- Continue until you have formed a web.

Play Nursery Rhymes Audio CD Track 6, "Eensy Weensy Spider."

Encourage the children to listen for /w/ today.

Observe & Modify

Children often confuse /w/ with the digraph /hw/ (wh sound). Should this arise, demonstrate how /hw/ (wh) requires a puff of air from the mouth to be pronounced properly.

Story Time

Introduce The Three Little Pigs

Say: We have talked about different things we could build. (Indicate the drinking straw.) Ask: Do we use this kind of straw to build houses? (Discuss.)

The Three Little Pigs as to
Brandi Chase
Straw, sticks, a brick
A drinking straw

Indicate the straw. Continue: **This is straw.** (Children repeat, straw.) **Birds might use this kind of straw to build nests. What could you build with straw?** (Volunteers respond.)

Indicate the sticks. Continue: **These are** *sticks***.** (Children repeat, *sticks*.) **What could you build with** *sticks***?** (Volunteers respond.)

Indicate the brick. Continue: **Here is a** *brick***.** (Children repeat, *brick*.) **What might you build with** *bricks***?** (Volunteers respond.)

Explain: Straw is very *inexpensive*. That means it would not cost much money to build a house with straw. Sticks are a little more expensive so it would cost a little more to build a house with sticks. Bricks are *expensive* so it would cost a lot of money to build a house with bricks. If you want a *sturdy* house, one that would be strong and safe, would you build it with straw, sticks or bricks? (Discuss)

Indicate The Three Little Pigs.

Say: This is a folk tale told by Brandi Chase. A folk tale is a very old story that many people have told. This folk tale is about three pigs who are *siblings*. *Siblings* are brothers or sisters in a family. Do you have siblings in your family?

Read *The Three Little Pigs*. As you read, indicate the straw, sticks, and brick at appropriate times. Stop reading after page 19.

Partner the children and instruct them to sit criss-cross, knee-to-knee. Say: **Talk to your partner about what you think the pigs will do next and why.** Volunteers share their answers with the group and explain.

Finish reading the story. Compare the children's predictions to the actual story.





Reading

Recognizes cause and effect

Makes predictions based on titles, illustrations, content, and prior knowledge

Science

Investigates properties of earth materials including water, soil, rocks, and sand

Social Studies

Understands that money is needed to exchange for goods and services

Speaking & Listening

Engages in conversations with peers and adults

Vocabulary

Uses illustrations to find the meanings of unknown words

Identifies new meanings for familiar words and applies them accurately **English Conventions**

Recognizes first letter of

names is capitalized

Small Group & Exploration

Heavy or Light?

Indicate the large block and the feather. Ask: Which of these objects is heavier, the block or the feather? (Children take turns holding the block and feather, and sharing their answers.) Right, the block is heavier. Which object is lighter? (the feather)

Materials
Large block
A feather or a napkin
Straw, sticks, a brick
Prepared chart paper
Balance scale

Place the block and the feather on a table. Ask: Which object could you blow across this table? (Volunteers respond.) Let's try. (Several volunteers try to blow the block across the table, then the feather.) Why do you think you could blow the feather across the table, but not the block? (The feather is light, but the block is too heavy.)

Indicate the straw, the sticks, and the brick.

Say: Each pig in the story used a different building material to build a house. Which of these building materials is the heaviest? Which is the lightest? Accept responses. The children verify their responses using a balance scale.

Indicate the chart paper. Each child chooses the type of building material he or she would like to use to build a house. Display the materials to help with choices. Children write their names in the appropriate columns. Remind them to use a capital letter at the beginning.

Houses will be created on Day 2.

Uses measurable attributes to compare objects

Uses graphs and charts to answer questions

Measures length, weight, height, size, or capacity of one or more objects

Science

Makes and verifies predictions

Writing

Writes own name

Gathering Routine

Continue the Gathering Routine and activity from Day 1.

Morning Meeting

Materials

Dragon

Warm Up Your Brain

Play "Huff and Puff!" Designate a beginning point and an ending point on the floor, rug, or table. Four children kneel in front of the group, each with a napkin in front of him or her. They use a crawling motion and blow their napkins from the beginning point to the ending point.

Repeat until all children have a turn.

Building Words

Read and discuss Gingerbread Boy's message.

Say: Many things have beginnings, middles, and ends. Give examples such as stories and movies.

Arrange three chairs side-by-side and indicate each in turn. Here are three chairs. This chair is at the beginning. This chair is in the middle. This chair is at the end. We will use these chairs to help us build words, because words also have a beginning, a middle and an end.

Indicate the pocket chart. Say: Here are some letters. Let's name them. Place and name the *a*, *b*, *e*, *f*, *m*, *n*, *o*, *p* and *w* Letter Cards.

Indicate and name the web Picture Card. (Children repeat, web.)

Say: Let's build the word web. Listen carefully to hear a beginning, middle, and ending sound. Repeat, web. Remove *w*, *e*, and *b* from the pocket chart and distribute each letter to a different child. Listen, w-e-b. Which sound do you hear at the beginning? (/w/) W stands for /w/. The child holding w sits in the "beginning" chair.

Say: Listen to the next sound. /w/, /e/. Which sound is next or in the middle? (/e/) E stands for /e/. The child holding e sits in the "middle" chair.

Say: Listen for the sound at the end, or the last sound. /w/, /e/, /b/. What letter stands for /b/? (/b/) B stands for /b/. The child holding b sits in the "end" chair.

Say: We just built the word /w/ /e/ /b/, web.

Repeat for bed, fan, man, and mop.

LEARNING CENTERS

See Learning Centers for Week 19, pages 472-474. After cleanup, the children gather to share times they knew the feelings of classmates because of their facial expressions.

Materials

Picture Cards: *bed*, *fan*, *man*,

mop, web Letter Cards: a, b, d, e, f, m, n,

0, p, w Pocket chart

Three chairs

Use uppercase letters for this activity if the readiness of your group so dictates.

Science Observes how objects move

Gross Motor Skills

Combine a sequence of large motor skills

I loved the beginning, middle, and end of The Three Little Pigs. My favorite was the end. I was surprised! Love,

Gingerbread Boy

Phonics & Word Recognition

Demonstrates understanding of oneto-one correspondence of letter and sounds

Phonological **Awareness**

Blends phonemes into words

Print Concepts

Understands that letters form words

Recognizes spoken words are represented in written language by specific sequences of letters



Social/Emotional Development

Recoanizes and identifies emotions in self and others

Social Studies

Understands similarities and respects differences among people

WEEK 19 Day TWO

Circle Time

Materials

Prepared sentence strips

Phonological Awareness

Distinguishes individual words within spoken phrases or sentences

Print Concepts

Understands words in print are separated by spaces

Recognizes spoken words are represented in written language by specific sequences of letters

Alphabet Knowledge

Recognizes and names most letters of the alphabet, especially those in their own name

Phonics & Word Recognition

Identifies words beginning with the same letter as their own name

Phonological Awareness

Recognizes and identifies beginning sounds in words

Print Concepts

Focuses on letter names and shapes



Phonological Awareness: Words in a Sentence

Say: Listen to this sentence. The spider is weaving a web. Now, you say it.

(Children repeat the sentence.) **Listen again.** Assign one child to each word in the sentence and instruct them to stand in front of the class. Stand behind each child as you repeat his or her word in the sentence.

Ask: **How many words did you hear?** (Children respond.) **Let's check.** Say the sentence and count the words. Explain that the spaces between the children are like the spaces we leave between words when we write. Discuss the reason for leaving spaces. Repeat for *The spider catches flies in the web*.

Indicate the sentence strips. Read *The spider is weaving a web*. Volunteers circle each word in the sentence and count them. Repeat for *The spider catches flies in the web*.

Introduce Ww, List Ww Words, ASL Ww

Indicate the *Ww* Letter Card. Say: **This is the letter** *Ww*. (Children repeat, *W*.) **One** *W* **is uppercase and one** *w* **is lowercase, but both letters are** *W***. The letter** *Ww* **stands for /w/ (w sound). Each time I touch the letter** *Ww***, say /w/. Touch the Letter Card several times, quickly and slowly as children say /w/.**

Materials
Letter Card Ww
Chart paper, marker
Grandmother
Star
Starfall American Sign
Language Poster

Say: Let's sky write uppercase *W*. (Demonstrate) Now, let's sky write lowercase *w*. (Demonstrate)

Now, find a partner. (Children find partners.) Take turns and use your finger to write uppercase *W* on your partner's back. After they have done this several times say: Now write lowercase *w*.

Indicate the star. Grandmother asks: Who can find the letter *Ww* on the Alphabet Chart? (A volunteer identifies *Ww* and attaches the star on or above the Wall Letter Card.)

Indicate ABC for Gingerbread Boy and Me. Say: Let's look at Ww. Here are some pictures of things that begin with /w/.

- Identify each picture. Children repeat.
- Isolate the beginning sound. (Example: web, /w/)
- Indicate the word below each picture. Say: Here is the picture; here is the word that names the picture.
- Discriminate between picture/word. (Example: Indicate the picture of the web. Indicate the word, *web*.)

Say: We have learned the letter *Ww* and /w/. Now let's learn to make the letter *Ww* with our fingers. Indicate the Starfall American Sign Language Poster and demonstrate the American Sign Language sign for *Ww*. Say: This is the letter *Ww* in sign language. Now you try it. Children sign *Ww*.

Indicate the chart paper. Say: Let's make a list of words that begin with Ww.

I'll write the words on this chart paper so we don't forget them. Start with children's

names that begin with *W*, then accept suggestions. Children circle *Ww* in their words after you write them.

Sing "Where Is /w/?" Each time /w/ is used, children make the ASL sign for *Ww*.

Encourage children to bring items (or pictures of items) from home that begin with /w/.

Story Time

Sequence The Three Little Pigs

Discuss how the story begins, develops, ends:

- Beginning Parents send the siblings to build their own houses.
- Middle Each pig builds his or her own house and the wolf blows down the straw and stick houses.
- End The wolf and the pigs become friends.

Indicate *The Three Little Pigs* Sequence Cards. Place them in the pocket chart in random order. Children discuss the illustrations on each card.

Ask: Which Sequence Card shows what happened at the beginning of the story? Continue to sequence the cards until they are in order. Read the story to confirm the correct order of the Sequence Cards.

Small Group & Exploration

Construct a House

Indicate and review the chart paper list of building materials the children chose.

Distribute the materials. Children glue straw, sticks, or construction paper bricks onto large rectangles to build houses. Discuss the fact that the orientation or size of the shape doesn't matter A rectangle (or any shape) is still the

same shape regardless of which way you turn it or how big or small it is. Construction paper can be used to add roofs. Model how to draw a triangle for the children to copy.

Optional: If you have small empty milk cartons

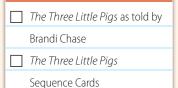
available, prepare the large rectangle papers to fit around them. After children glue their pieces to the rectangles, attach them to the empty milk cartons. Attach a roof to the top of each milk carton. Each child writes his or her building material of choice (straw, sticks, or bricks) on an index card. Place the index cards by the constructions. Display finished houses in the classroom with a sentence strip heading: *The three little pigs built their houses out of* (blank).

Where Is /w/?

(Melody: "Where Is Thumbkin?")

Where is /w/? Where is /w/? Here I am. Here I am. /w/ in web, /w/ in wall /w/ /w/ /w/, Ww, Ww, Ww

Materials



Pocket chart

Reading

Retells familiar stories in sequence and identifies sequence of events

Asks and answers questions about key elements and details in a text



Materials

Choice of building materials list
 from Day 1
 Large construction paper
 rectangle for each child
 Straws, sticks, red construction

Construction paper and glue

Math

Identifies shapes regardless of their orientations or size

Recognizes and identifies basic twodimensional shapes



paper bricks

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Gathering Routine

Continue the Gathering Routine and activity from Day 1.

Morning Meeting

Warm Up Your Brain

Dragon

Materials

Gross Motor Skills

Demonstrates strength and coordination of large muscles to engage in skills such as jumping, hopping, and running

Math

Creates, duplicates, and extends simple patterns

I built a big tower last night with blocks. It is taller than I am!

Your friend,

Gingerbread Boy

Math

Becomes familiar with standard and nonstandard measuring tools and their uses

Measures height of one or more objects

Uses measurable attributes to compare objects

Science

Explores simple machines

Explain that the children will create a pattern with their movements as they follow your directions.

Say: Clap your hands. Next, stomp your feet. Stand up then sit down. Repeat several times. Let's add to the pattern. Clap your hands, stomp your feet, stand up, sit down, and crawl around. Repeat several times.

Volunteers suggest patterns of movement.

Measure Height

Read and discuss Gingerbread Boy's message.

Display the tower of blocks Gingerbread Boy built on a tray. Say: It sounds like Gingerbread Boy was a builder last night. He will love this song! Listen for the names of some of the tools we have discussed in the song.

Sing "The Builder Song." Volunteers name tools mentioned in the song.

Say: If Gingerbread Boy would like to know how tall his tower is he could measure it. Let's show him how.

Say: We can use different tools to measure. Indicate a narrow paper strip. Continue: Here is a paper strip. We can use it as a tool to measure how tall things are.

- Several children build a tower with blocks.
- Demonstrate how to hold the bottom of the strip next to the bottom of the tower while a child holds the top of the strip.
- A second child marks the height of the structure by drawing a line on the paper strip.
- Write "Tower 1" next to the line. Explain: This tells us how tall Tower 1 is.

Several children build another tower. Repeat the above procedure. Label the paper strip "Tower 2." Compare the towers and discuss which is taller and which is shorter. Volunteers order them from shortest to tallest.

Measure Gingerbread Boy's tower using the above procedure. Compare the height of Gingerbread Boy's tower to Towers 1 and 2.

Optional: Prepare strips for each child. Children work with partners to build towers and record their heights on their individual strips. Partners compare their results.

Materials

Tower of blocks on a tray
(taller than Gingerbread Boy)
Narrow paper strips, two or
three feet long
Marker

The Builder Song

- (Melody: "Here We Go Round the Mulberry Bush")
- This is the way we saw our wood, saw our wood, saw our wood,
- This is the way we saw our wood, so early in the morning.
- This is the way we pound our nails...
- This is the way we drill a hole...
- This is the way we stack our bricks...
- This is the way we paint the walls...

LEARNING CENTERS

See Learning Centers for Week 19, pages 472-474. After cleanup, the children gather to share times they knew the feelings of classmates because of their facial expressions.

Circle Time

Materials

None

Phonemic Awareness: Blending Consonant/Vowel/Consonant

Say: Listen to these sounds, /w / /e / /t/. Now you say them. (Children repeat, /w / /e/ /t/.) Blend the sounds together to form a word, /w/ /e/ /t/, wet. Let's try more. Repeat with /w/ /e / /l /well and /w / /i/ /g/ wig.

Introduce /h/

Say: Grandmother has a riddle for us. Listen to her clues to solve this riddle. Grandmother reads the riddle "Helicopter." Children solve the riddle.

Display the *helicopter*, *hen*, *headphones* and *house* Picture Cards.

Say: Here is a picture of a helicopter. Say, helicopter. Helicopter begins with /h/. Say /h/. Continue:

- Hen begins with /h/. Say, hen. Say /h/, hen.
- Headphones begins with /h/. Say, headphones. Say /h/, headphones.
- Say, house. What sound do you hear at the beginning of *house*? Right, /h/.

Say: Listen to these two words to tell which one begins with /h/, helicopter or plane. (helicopter) Helicopter begins with /h/. (Children repeat, /h/.) Listen again. Which one begins with /h/, tree or hill? (hill)

Say: Pretend you are a helicopter. The children stand and spin around like the blades of a helicopter. Now, listen to these words. If you hear /h/ at the beginning, spin your helicopter blades. (Demonstrate) If the word doesn't begin with /h/, land on your bottom! Ready? Use home, yard, happy, box, and hammer.

Indicate Nursery Rhymes page 13 "Humpty Dumpty." Say: Listen to this rhyme. **Raise your hand when you hear a word that begins with /h/.** Read "Humpty Dumpty" and pause to see that children discriminate initial /h/ words. The children say the nursery rhyme together.

Play Nursery Rhymes Audio CD Track 10. Children sing "Humpty Dumpty."

Encourage children to listen for /h/ today.

Materials

Grandmother Starfall's Selected Nursery

Rhymes (Book & Audio CD)

Picture Cards: *headphones*, helicopter, hen, house

Pocket chart

Helicopter

Sometimes I fly people to the hospital and land on a tower.

I can't go as fast as an airplane.

Only a few people can fit inside me.

My rotating blades lift me off the ground.

My name begins with /h/.

What am I?

Phonics & Word Recognition

Associates letters with their names and sounds

Phonoloaical **Awareness**

Recognizes and identifies beginning sounds in words

Isolates and pronounces the initial sounds in words

Social/Emotional Development

Recognizes and identifies emotions in self and others

Social Studies

Understands similarities and respects differences among people

Phonics & Word Recognition

Associates letters with their names and sounds

Demonstrates understanding of oneto-one correspondence of letter and sounds

Phonological Awareness

Blends phonemes into words



Story Time

Compare Versions of The Three Little Pigs

Indicate *The Three Little Pigs* as told by Brandi Chase. Picture-walk through the book as children retell the story. Encourage them to include the repeated patterns during the retelling. The Three Little Pigs as told by
 Brandi Chase
 An alternate version of
 The Three Little Pigs

Materials

Indicate your alternate choice of *The Three Little Pigs*. Say: **Here's another version of** *The Three Little Pigs*. That means the story will be like *The Three Little Pigs* story we already read, but some parts may be different. Listen to find out how this story is the same and how it is different from the first one. Children compare and contrast the two versions.

The children vote by a show of hands to determine which story is the class favorite. Place their favorite version in the Library Center.

Optional: Share a story version from the wolf's point of view, such as *The True Story of the Three Little Pigs* by Jon Scieszka or *The Three Little Wolves and the Big Bad Pig* by Eugene Trivizas.

Small Group & Exploration

Create Puppets

Materials

 Paper bag for each child

 Pink, black, and gray

 construction paper

 Markers, scissors, glue

The children use construction paper to create pig or wolf paper bag puppets. Ask them to describe shapes they are using and discuss shape orientation as they are working.

The children will use their puppets on Day 5 to dramatize *The Three Little Pigs*.



Reading

Identifies basic similarities in and differences between two texts on the same topic

Retells familiar stories in sequence

Engages in group reading activities with purpose and understanding

Approaches to Learning

Demonstrates flexibility, imagination, and inventiveness in approaching tasks and activities

Brings a teacher-directed or self-initiated task, activity, or project to completion

Creative Arts

Shows care and persistence in a variety of art projects

Creates original work

Math

Identifies shapes regardless of their orientations or size

Gathering Routine

Continue the Gathering Routine and activity from Day 1.

WEEK 19 Day Four

Creative Arts

Enjoys participating in a variety of music activities

Social/Emotional

Demonstrates sense of belonging to

family, community,

and other groups

Development

Morning Meeting

Materials Dragon

Warm Up Your Brain

Play Sing-Along Volume 2, Track 46. The children sing "The More We Get Together" as they do the following:

- Stand in a circle.
- Cross their arms right over left and hold the hands of the children on either side.
- Sway back and forth while holding hands in the circle.

What Happens After

Read and discuss Gingerbread Boy's message.

Say: At the end of this story the wolf and pigs decided to become friends. What kinds of things do you think they will do together? (Volunteers respond.)

Markers Partner the children and instruct them to sit criss-cross, knee-to-knee. Say: Talk with your partner about something you, the pigs and the wolf might do together. Remember, sometimes your friends will have different ideas and you will need to work together to decide what activity you will do. (The children do this.)

Partners share their responses with the class and you list them on chart paper.

Save the chart paper for use in today's Small Group.

LEARNING CENTERS

See Learning Centers for Week 19, pages 472-474. After cleanup, the children gather to share times they knew the feelings of classmates because of their facial expressions.

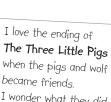
Materials

Starfall Sing-Along Volume 2

Chart paper

The Three Little Pigs as told by

Brandi Chase



I wonder what they did together.

Your pal,

Gingerbread Boy

Reading

Makes connections using illustrations/ photos, prior knowledge, real-life experiences

Makes inferences

Speaking & Listening

Engage in agreed-upon rules for discussions

Participates in collaborative conversations with diverse partners about pre-kindergarten topics and texts

Social/Emotional Development

Recognizes and identifies emotions in self and others

Social Studies Understands similarities and respects differences among people

Materials

None 🗌

Phonological Awareness

Counts and blends syllables in spoken words

Phonological Awareness

Recognizes and identifies beginning sounds in words

Isolates and pronounces the initial sounds in words

Print Concepts

Recognizes relationship between illustrations and text



Phonological Awareness: Syllables in Words

Say: Listen to these word parts, *he-li-cop-ter*. Now put them together, *helicopter*. This time clap for the parts. Ready? *he-li-cop-ter* (clap, clap, clap, clap) (Children say, *helicopter*.) Repeat with *ham-mer* (hammer), *hill* (hill), *hun-gry* (hungry) and *hos-pit-al* (hospital).

Introduce *Hh*, List *Hh* Words, ASL *Hh*

Circle Time

Grandmother asks: What sound do you hear at the beginning of helicopter? /h/

Indicate the *Hh* Letter Card. Say: **This is the letter** *Hh*. (Children repeat, *h*.) **One** *H* **is uppercase and one is lowercase, but both letters are** *Hh*. **The letter** *Hh* **stands for** */h/* (h sound). **Each time I touch the letter** *Hh*, **say** */h/*. Touch the Letter Card several times, quickly and slowly and children say */h/*.

Say: Let's sky write uppercase *H*. (Demonstrate) Now, let's sky write lowercase *h*. (Demonstrate) Find a partner. (Children find partners.) Take turns and use your finger to write uppercase *H* on your partner's

Materials

Grandmother
Letter Card Hh
Star
ABC for Gingerbread Boy and
Me by Starfall
Starfall American Sign
Language Poster
Chart paper
Marker
Basket or bag

back. After they have done this several times say: Now write lowercase h.

Indicate the star. Ask: **Who can find the letter** *Hh* **on the Alphabet Chart?** Grandmother helps a volunteer locate *Hh* and review the other letters with stars. The volunteer attaches the star on or above the Wall Letter Card.

Indicate ABC for Gingerbread Boy and Me.

Say: Let's look at Hh. Here are some pictures of things that begin with /h/.

- Identify each picture. Children repeat.
- Isolate the beginning sound. (Example: helicopter, /h/)
- Indicate the word below each picture. Say: Here is the picture; here is the word that names the picture.
- Discriminate between picture/word. (Example: Indicate the picture of the helicopter. Indicate the word, helicopter.)

Say: We have learned the letter *Hh* and */h/.* Let's learn to make the letter *Hh* with our fingers. (Indicate the Starfall American Sign Language Poster and demonstrate the American Sign Language sign for *Hh*.) Say: This is the letter *Hh* in sign language. Now you try it. Children sign *Hh*.

Indicate the chart paper. Say: Let's make a list of words that begin with the letter *H*. I'll write the words on this chart paper so we don't forget them.

Children circle the *Hh* in their words after you write them.

Sing "Where Is /h/?" Each time /h/ is used, children make the ASL sign for *Hh*.

Encourage children to bring items, (or pictures of items), from home that begin with /h/.

Story Time

Teacher's Literature Choice: Construction

Recite "Cathy's Hammers."

Explain: This week we have talked about tools and things we can build. Another word for build is *construct*. Say, *construct*. (Children repeat, *construct*.)

Indicate your book choice. Ask: What do you predict this book is about? (Volunteers respond.) Why? Let's read to see if you are correct.

Read the book, pausing briefly to discuss new vocabulary as it is introduced. Have the children describe the relationship between the illustrations in the book and the text. Children ask and answer questions about the book.

Discuss what was constructed in the book and allow time for the children to describe construction they have seen in progress.

Where Is /h/?

(Melody: "Where Is Thumbkin?")

Where is /h/? Where is /h/? Here I am. Here I am. /h/ in helicopter, /h/ in ham /h/ /h/, Hh, Hh, Hh

Materials

Teacher's choice of book about

about construction

Cathy's Hammers

- (Make a hammering motion with one fist.) Cathy had one hammer, one hammer, one hammer, Cathy had one hammer, then she had two.
- (Make a hammering motion with both fists.) Cathy had two hammers, two hammers, two hammers, Cathy had two hammers, then she had three.
- (Make a motion with both fists and one leg.) Cathy had three hammers, three hammers, three hammers, Cathy had three hammers, then she had four.
- (Make a motion with both fists and both legs.) Cathy had four hammers, four hammers, four hammers, Cathy had four hammers, then she had five.
- (Make a motion with both fists, both legs, and head.) Cathy had five hammers, five hammers, five hammers, Cathy had five hammers, then she went to sleep!

(Pretend you are sleeping.)

Small Group & Exploration

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Draw and Write

Review the children's responses stating what they would like to do with the pigs and the wolf from today's "What Happens After" activity, and the children illustrate their choices. They write or dictate sentences about their illustrations. Encourage them to add details to their illustrations and sentences.

Materials

- Response list from today's
- Morning Meeting
- Writing & Observation Journals

Pencils, crayons

Encourage the children to share their drawings and sentences with each other!

Reading

Engages in group reading activities with purpose and understanding

Describes the relationship between illustrations and text

Science

Explores simple machines

Vocabulary

With guidance and support, explore word relationships and nuances in word meanings

Uses illustrations and context to determine word meaning

Approaches to Learning

Attends to tasks for a brief period and seeks help when needed

Writing

Uses a combination of drawing, dictation, scribble writing, or invented spelling to convey meaning

Recognizes writing as a way of communicating for a variety of purposes

Independently writes some letters and words



Gathering Routine

Continue the Gathering Routine and activity from Day 1.

Creative	Arts
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Expresses concepts, ideas or feelings through movement

English Conventions

Uses frequently occurring verbs

I would love to see you perform the story of The Three Little Pigs. I could be your audience.

Love, Gingerbread Boy

Reading

Retells familiar stories in sequence Identifies story characters

Morning Meeting

Warm Up Your Brain

Play "Freeze-a-Roo." The children perform the following motions to the music as you announce them. When the music stops, they freeze in place. Say: **Pretend you are...**

• a wolf blowing down the pig's house

- a pig rolling in the mud
- a pig building a house made of bricks
- a pig dancing down the street

The Three Little Pigs Puppet Show

Read and discuss Gingerbread Boy's message.

Say: That would be fun! We could use our paper bag pig and wolf puppets. Let's look through the story to see what characters and props we will need. Picture-

Materials

Materials

Teacher's choice of music for

"Freeze-a-Roo"

Dragon

- Paper bag puppets
- The Three Little Pigs as told by Brandi Chase

walk through the story. Identify and assign the characters:

- mom and dad pig
- three pig siblings
- straw salesman
- stick salesman
- brick salesman
- wolf



Social/Emotional Development

Recognizes and identifies emotions in self and others

Social Studies

Understands similarities and respects differences among people Distribute the puppets. Say: Maybe we should practice. I will read the story. If you have a pig puppet, hold it up when the pigs speak and say the words with me. If you have a wolf puppet, hold it up when the wolf speaks and say the words with me. Read the story. Children raise their puppets during these repeated phrases:

- Wolves "Little pig, little pig, let me come in!" and "Then I'll huff, and I'll puff, and I'll blow your house in!"
- Pigs "Not by the hair on my chinny-chin-chin!"

Explain that the children will dramatize the story during Story Time.

LEARNING Stheward CENTERS

See Learning Centers for Week 19, pages 472-474. After cleanup, the children gather to share times they knew the feelings of classmates because of their facial expressions.

WEEK 19 • DAY 5

Circle Time

Phonological Awareness: Blending Onset and Rime

Say: Listen to these word parts and put them together to form words. /w/ /et/ (wet), /h/ /ug/ (hug), /w/ /ater/ (water), /h/ /orse/ (horse)

Review Letters and Sounds

Indicate *Nursery Rhymes* page 48, "Wee Willie Winkie." Read the nursery rhyme and demonstrate how to echo. Children echo you after each sentence is read.

Say: Listen to these words, *Wee, Willie, Winkie, windows*. What sound do you hear at the beginning of all of these words? (/w/)

Read the following sentences slowly. Children clap if they hear a word that begins with /w/.

- Wee Willie Winkie had a wonderful time.
- Willie the worm wiggled in the water.
- The woman wore a wig.
- Walter and Wilma pulled their wagon.
- The walrus saw a wishing well.
- It was windy on Wednesday.

Grandmother asks: Who remembers the nursery rhyme that uses /h/, and is about an egg that had a great fall? ("Humpty Dumpty") Let's sing it together.

Play Nursery Rhymes Audio CD Track 10. Children sing "Humpty Dumpty."

The children identify each letter as you place the Letter Cards in a pocket chart (in alphabetical order, face up). Randomly distribute the Picture Cards.

Say: Each of you has a Picture Card that begins with one of these letters. Who has the Picture Card that begins with /a/? (The child with the *apple* Picture Card stands.) Right, *apple* begins with /a/. Place your Picture Card on top of *Aa*. The child does this.

Continue until all letters and Picture Cards are matched.

Materials

Materials

None

- Grandmother
 Starfall's Selected Nursery
 Rhymes (Book & Audio CD)
 Letter Cards: Aa, Bb, Cc, Dd, Ee,
 Ff, Hh, Ii, Kk, Ll, Mm, Nn, Oo, Pp,
 Rr, Ss, Tt, Ww
 Picture Cards: apple, bear,
 cow, duck, elephant, fingers,
 helicopter, iguana, kittens,
 ladybugs, monkey, net,
 octopus, puppies, rabbit,
 skateboard, tent, web
- Pocket chart



Combines onset and rime to form a familiar one-syllable word

Alphabet Knowledge

Recognizes and names most letters of the alphabet

Phonics & Word Recognition

Associates letters with their names and sounds

Phonological Awareness

Recognizes and identifies beginning sounds in words



Approaches to Learning

Uses imagination in play and interactions with others

Creative Arts

Participates in teacherguided dramatic activities such as acting out a story

Math

Counts in sequence

Understands addition as adding to

Recognizes and names numerals

Recognizes the number of objects in a small set without counting (subitizing)

Story Time

Dramatize The Three Little Pigs

Indicate *Nursery Rhymes* page 41 and play Audio CD Track 41. Children sing "This Little Pig Went to Market."

Narrate and assist the children as they dramatize *The Three Little Pigs* for Gingerbread Boy.

Optional: Read the story as the children perform their parts.

Materials
Starfall's Selected Nursery
Rhymes (Book & Audio CD)
The Three Little Pigs as told by
Brandi Chase
Paper bag puppets and props



Materials
"Gingerbread Boy's Parking Lot"
game boards
Playing pieces
Spinners

Small Group Math

Introduce "Gingerbread Boy's Parking Lot"

Choose two volunteers to demonstrate how to play "Gingerbread Boy's Parking Lot."

They place dominoes face down. The first player chooses

a domino, counts (adds) the dots on that domino, then parks his or her "car" in the corresponding parking place. If the player chooses a domino that equals the same value as one already on the game board, the player stacks it on top.

Players take turns. The first player to fill all of his or her parking spaces wins, or the game continues until both players fill their parking spaces.

After today's Math Small Group lesson, all of the pre-k math games will have been introduced. Begin to include them as choices during Small Group & Exploration.