



Baby Talk: Resources to Support the People Who Work with Infants and Toddlers

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Explore Addition and Subtraction With These Family Math Resources

Parents and caregivers can promote early math learning with these DREME Family Math resources. Read, sing, play, and learn together with activities focused on building young children's understanding of mathematical operations. Materials may be selected by the age level of children (babies through early elementary). Learn more at <https://familymath.stanford.edu/activity/?lang=english&subject=adding-subtracting-more>

Reviewing the Research Base from 1985-2020: Infant and Toddler Child Care and At-Risk Children's School Readiness

This literature review published by NIEER examines research regarding infant/toddler care over the span of more than three decades. The review highlights key findings from the literature, including the relationship between the Child Care and Development Fund and quality childcare. The author also provides an overview of gaps in the research and implications for future childcare policies. Get the scoop at https://nieer.org/wp-content/uploads/2021/07/ITC_Reviewing_the_Research_Base_from_1985-2021-07-14.pdf

Encouraging Independent Play

Whether you're working from home, trying to get a meal on the table, or just need five minutes to think, this article has tips for encouraging toddlers to play on their own. Learn about the process at <https://www.zerotothree.org/resource/i-is-for-independent-play/>

Building a Child's Vocabulary

Research suggests that the more words parents speak to their toddlers, the larger their kids' vocabularies. But do the circumstances in which the child hears those words also matter? Researchers looked at the power of over-head words vs. directed words that are part of a conversation or interaction. Read this short article and watch this video, in English or Spanish, and see what you think. <https://positiveparentingnews.org/news-reports/building-your-kids-vocabulary/>

10 Benefits of Bilingualism for Very Young Children

"Having your child learn two languages at the same time will confuse them, won't it?" "You know that teaching your child multiple languages is just going to cause a speech delay?" These are common questions that may be asked of families and caregivers who are supporting young children to become multilingual. The answer is "No" to all of the above. Learning two languages at the same time does not negatively affect speech development. On the contrary, bilingualism might help a child to achieve greatly. Read on to learn about ten benefits of being bilingual.

<https://multiculturalkidblogs.com/2021/07/12/10-childhood-benefits-of-being-bilingual/>

GUMDROP: Attitude and Persistence

Need some encouraging words and images to carry you through the rest of the year? Watch this four-year-old and find some new inspiration . . . plus a few new types of dinosaurs. <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=N38rK8fj58g>

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