



# Math at Home

## Toddlers (15 mos. - 3 yrs.)

### How Children Learn

Toddlers begin to experiment with a variety of problem-solving strategies, exploring different mathematical concepts like quantity, sorting, and patterns.

### Activities & Experiences

While sorting laundry, play a matching game to find pairs of socks.

Cut different colored paper into different shapes for your child to sort by size, color, or shape.

Put different sized containers and measuring cups in a container of water or in the bathtub for your child to explore.

Have puzzle time! Put together a simple puzzle or make your own by cutting cardboard into different shapes.

Create patterns with your body (ex. clap, jump, clap). Be creative with the ways you can move and the patterns you and your child create!

### How can we support exploration and social-emotional learning?

- Use words that refer to size and quantity (big, small, many, few) and point out patterns that emerge in play.
- Help your child observe similarities and differences among materials.
- Help your child generate ideas for how to use materials.

You stacked a red block, then a blue one, then a red one again!

These pegs are blue, and those pegs are yellow.

How high can you build a tower with those blocks?