



How Can I Help My Child With Letter/Sound Identification?

- ❖ Work on the letters in your child's first name. When these letters are mastered, work on the letters in his/her last name.

- ❖ Ask your child to name the letters in traffic or store signs (for example, "Say the letters in STOP.")

- ❖ Ask your child to count how many i's in Winn-Dixie. How many n's?

- ❖ Have your child point to all the Aa's found on a page in the story you read aloud.

- ❖ Use magnetic letters on the refrigerator to review the alphabet and its sounds.

- ❖ Write letters with paint, chalk, shaving cream, grits, chocolate pudding or sand.

- ❖ Read and discuss alphabet books with your child.

- ❖ Play games with alphabet cards or magnetic letters. Ask your child to find all the d's... the uppercase T... the lowercase t... or the letter that begins like a certain picture.

- ❖ Have your child circle a letter on a page of newspaper or magazine using a red crayon or a highlighter. After circling the letter several times on one page, have your child connect the letters to form a "mystery critter." Have your child name the critter and tell you something about it.

- ❖ Let your child form letters with play dough. (I have an expensive and easy recipe, please let me know if you would like a copy.)

- ❖ Have your child locate letters on food labels or cereal boxes.

I hope you find these suggestions helpful.

Sincerely,