

Day 2

Language Arts - Story Characters

Remind your child that characters are the people or animals in a story. Either read your child a story or have your child listen to a story on <http://www.nypl.org/>. (First click on "Books and Materials" at the top, next click on Tumblebooks, then click on "Storybooks", and now choose a story your child would like to listen to.) After your child has heard the story, have your child draw a picture of the characters in the story. He/she can also write the character's names using kid writing (writing the sounds he/she hears).

Math - Sorting

Gather your child's stuffed animals, or plastics animals. Ask your child to sort them by type - putting all the bears in one pile, all the fish in another, and so on. Then you can ask your child to sort them by color, by number of legs, by size, or where they live. Can you think of any other way to sort them?

Science - Egg and Water Experiment

Place a raw egg in a glass of fresh water. Slowly add salt to the water. What happens? The egg rises to the top. Why did it happen? Salt dissolved in water increases the density of water. Denser liquids are better at keeping objects afloat. This is why many things that sink in fresh water will float in salt water. Try this experiment with other objects.

Social Studies - Go to <http://www.starfall.com/>. Click on "It's Fun to Read", next click on "All about Me!" Your child makes choices to create little books. Start with "Who Am I?" and continue with "What is my pet?" and "Where do I sleep?" and many other fun, interactive, little books your child can create and even print out!