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Help Families Stay Engaged this Summer!

Thanks to CLI for providing these printables to help create Family Engagement Bags to help parents keep their little ones learning through play all summer long! There is a Family Activities Booklet, Materials List, and a Letter to Families. Use any or all of these to create fun, interactive bags for your students as a "Good-bye Gift." Ask your PTO, parents, or local establishments to help supply any of the materials, and ask for uppergrade volunteers to help put the bags together. This could easily be a school-wide and even community-wide activity!

> <u>Click here for the Family Activities</u> <u>Click here for the Materials List</u> <u>Click here for the Letter to Families</u>





CIRCLE Progress Monitoring: EOY Parent Reports

You've completed EOY assessments, data is available... now what?

- Generate <u>Student Reports for Parents</u> so they can see how their child has done throughout their Pre-K year. Student Reports are parentfriendly and highlight everything they need to know about their child's kindergarten readiness. If you need additional information, check out the <u>Implementation Guide: Student Report for Parents</u>.
- Encourage family engagement by sharing the <u>Understanding Your</u> <u>Child's CIRCLE Progress Monitoring Results</u> with parents and pointing out the QR Code/website that allows them to family-friendly games and activities that can be played at home with real-world items to keep practicing important skills throughout the summer in fun ways!





DAP CENTRAL DEVELOPMENTALLY APPROPRIATE PRACTICES

Writing/Class Book Sensory Table

Pre-K Memory Book

Help each child create their own memory book of their Pre-K year to treasure for years to come. Let them create one page at a time, and you can put them together to present to them on the last day of school! Here are some page ideas:

- Me/My Name My Teacher
- When I Grow Up
 - Note From My Teacher
- My Friends
- My Favorite Song Autographs
- My Favorite Book
- My Favorite Center

Math

Insect Math Mats

Tell math stories using the Spring picture (math mat) and insect counters. i.e., "I see two ladybugs on the log and 3 bees on the flowers. How many insects are there altogether?" OR caterpillar parts and put it together. "There 5 beetles on the log, and 2 crawled away. How many beetles are left on the log?"



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Insect Sensory Bin In a tub or sensory table, add beans, potting soil, or coffee grounds for dirt, large tweezers, a bug catcher, artificial plants/flowers, rocks, twigs, and (of course) INSECTS! Let children explore and practice those fine motor skills!

Scaffold discovery by asking to find the insect that starts with the /b/ sound, sort the insects by attributes, or practice positional words: "Put the bee ON the rock or UNDER the leaf.

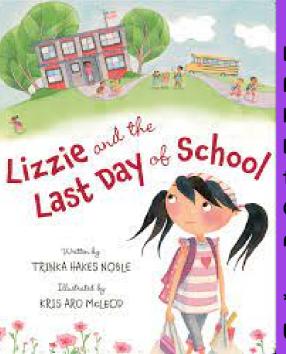


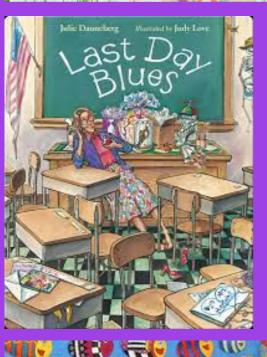
Letter Knowledge

Caterpillar Name

Help children trace a circlular item onto construction paper and cut out enough to have 1 per letter + 1 for the head. Ask students to write their name on the They can get creative with the rest!

PRE-K BOOK NOOK





Lizze and the Last Day of School Lizzie loves school almost more than anything. First, she loved Nursery school. She loved Kindergarten even more. When the time comes for Lizzie to start First Grade, she can't wait. Everyone tells her it will be a whole year of school. And Miss Giggliano, the first-grade teacher, tells her class to make this the best year of school ever.

**<u>BONUS</u>! The author of this book is the sister of beloved ASU professor Dr. Hakes!

Last Day Blues

What do teachers do for summer vacation? Mrs. Hartwell's students worry that their teacher will miss them while they are gone for the summer. The class comes up with a way to make sure Mrs. Hartwell won't be too sad. But Mrs. Hartwell and the other teachers have some plans of their own.

Only One You

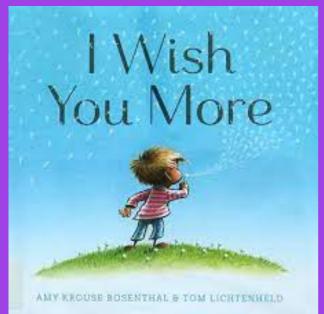
There's only one you in this great big world. Make it a better place. Adri's mama and papa share some of the wisdom they have gained through the years with their eager son. Their words, simple and powerful, are meant to comfort and guide him as he goes about exploring the world.



Linda Kranz

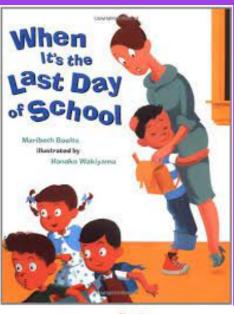
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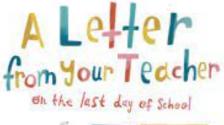
PRE-K BOOK NOOK



I Wish You More

This inspirational book for kids is full of endless good wishes. Wishes for curiosity and wonder, for friendship and strength, laughter and peace. Whether celebrating life's joyous milestones, sharing words of encouragement, or observing the wonder of everyday moments, this sweet and uplifting book is perfect for wishers of every age.







<u>When It's the Last Day of School</u> Desperately wanting the gold sticker for the last day of the school year, James is determined to do nothing wrong all day so that he can achieve his goal--even if that means no burping, spitting, or talking during Silent Reading.

<u>A Letter from Your Teacher On the last Day of School</u> Through a letter written from the teacher's point of view, the class is invited to reflect back on memories made, connections formed, and challenges met. The letter expresses how proud their teacher is of them, and how much they will be missed. Students will also leave on that last day knowing that their teacher is cheering them on for all of the exciting things to come in the future.

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EARLY CHILDHOOD SESSIONS (PRE-K - 2)

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Write Where? Across Content PK - 2

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6/8/2022 Session #226647

Come experience different writing opportunities to help your students grow as independent writers. Not only will we learn the stages of writing our scholars go through, but we will also explore how writing can be developed through the content areas of math, science, and social studies.

<u>Counting – It's Not That Simple</u>

6/10/2022 Session #225370

This session will deepen your understanding of what all counting encompasses, from the stages of counting to how it impacts other concepts. Join us as we count our way through the Texas Pre-K Guidelines and K- 2 TEKS. Counting is sophisticated and fundamental to learning mathematics!

Studies: Meaningful Experiences for

Authentic Learning 6/13/2022 Session #225169

Children come to us with diverse interests, experiences, prior knowledge, and have a natural curiosity about the world around them. Join us as we explore ways to foster authentic learning through inventing and solving problems, sharing solutions, and exploring content through hands-on activities.

<u>Academy for Teachers of Young Children</u> 7/13/2022 - 7/15/2022

Join us at the 24th Annual ATYC Conference as we focus on social and emotional learning for our students AND teachers. It will be the BEST part of your summer with amazing keynotes and breakouts that are sure to fill your tank. *It's gonna be RAD!!*

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Move It or Lose It 6/9/2022 Session #224900

Movement is essential to development. Classroom movement is more than 'getting the wiggles out' or changing positions in the classroom. Learn to be purposeful in the movements you have your students make to increase learning. Come experience appropriate movements in this fully engaged workshop.

Rock the Blocks

6/16/2022 Session #223946

The block station can be more than just play. Students can learn ELAR, Math, Science, Social Studies, and STEM through three dimensional creativity and problem-solving. Participants will experience and learn how to stock the block station to support planned intentional learning experiences. **This is a repeat of the summer 2021 session.*

CIRCLE Pre-K Foundations Training

Date & location coming soon! This training provides a comprehensive look at Pre-K instruction to support Kindergarten readiness. Teachers will participate in planful, purposeful, playful activities as they experience 7 modules that target key areas of Pre-K learning and instruction. **Teachers will receive a CIRCLE Interactive Notebook, including information &*

activities ready for immediate implementation.

Click the title or workshop number to

register!



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Enjoy your Summer!