

Heritage Preschool Parent Corner **M**



Letter of the Week

M says "m" for monkey and music

Words & Feelings

M: merry, magical, mind-blown, magnanimous, mediocre, mean, miserable, mixed-up, mad, mournful, moody

Riddles, Rhymes & Opposites

1. You wear this on your hands when it is cold and it rhymes with kitten
2. Your teeth are inside your
3. At night this is in the sky and it rhymes with spoon
4. This is good to drink and rhymes with silk

Poetry

M is for monkey, marbles and mop
M is for mitten and mountaintop
M is for mouse and the moon in the sky
M is for muffin and milk and mud pie
Hooray for **M**, big and small -
the most magical, marvelous letter of all!

Fun with M

- Make masks or magic wands
- Do marble painting
- Talk through a megaphone
- Listen to a music box
- Draw mustaches on pictures of faces cut from magazines
- Grow mold on a damp piece of bread
- Explore with mirrors and magnifying glasses
- Play with magnets
- Make mud pies
- Have an M meal with meat, macaroni, milk and melons
- Write a letter and mail it
- Help mop the floor
- Make faces in the mirror

Alliteration

Matthew made a mess
with macaroni and mud.

Math, Math, Math

You are using 'math' every day at home and it is very easy to include your preschoolers!

Numbers: Children learn about numbers by counting objects and discussing the results.

Ask how many crackers they want and then count the crackers as you give them to them. Children count spaces on board games. They count the days until their birthdays or Christmas. Read counting books and recite nursery rhymes with numbers.

Geometry and spatial relations: Look for shapes all around you. Cut sandwiches in shapes. Look for skinny triangles and fat triangles and upside-down triangles and they will gradually realize that they are all still triangles.

Measurement: Compare the height of a block tower with the height of a desk or table. Measure with shoes, or blocks or dolls or cars.

Patterns/geometry: Children become aware of patterns in their clothes. They learn to recognize patterns of different colors and sizes in beads and blocks. Reproduce simple patterns by stringing beads or arranging toys or even setting the table.

Analyzing data: Children can sort objects by color, size, and shape, and count them. You can sort silverware as you put them away or clothes from the dryer. And if you want, record the data on graphs and charts.



"She placed baby **Moses** in a basket and put it in the Nile."
Exodus 2: 3