

# Resources to Support Families at Home



## Fun and Learning for Parents and Children: An Activities Handbook

Children are learning all the time. Parents will find this booklet helpful with great activities to share with their children. The booklet contains fun activities for parents and children to do together at home, away from home, indoors, and outdoors.

<https://eclkc.ohs.acf.hhs.gov/parenting/article/fun-learning-parents-children-activities-handbook>

## News You Can Use: Learning at Home and Homelike Environments

Children receive the message that they are in a kind and loving place when caregivers and family members are intentional about the environments they create. This resource will teach home visitors, program staff, caregivers and other early childhood educators how to create a space that is welcoming and homelike for children.

<https://eclkc.ohs.acf.hhs.gov/learning-environments/article/news-you-can-use-learning-home-homelike-environments>

## Get Moving Today Activity Calendar

Each month, you'll find fun ways to help preschoolers be active. The activities are perfect for children to do at home with their families.

<https://www.shapeamerica.org/uploads/teachersToolbox/earlyChildhood/ECRevisedcalendar.pdf>

## VROOM

Free, science-based tips and tools help parents and caregivers give children a great start in life today—and an even better future. Both NAEYC & NBCDI promote the app as DAP. No special materials needed.

<https://www.vroom.org/>

## Scholastic Learn at Home

Every day includes four separate learning experiences, each built around a thrilling, meaningful story or video.

<https://classroommagazines.scholastic.com/support/learnathome/grades-prek-k.html>

## Storyline Online

Free children's literacy resource featuring the world's best storytellers reading books aloud. Each video includes an activity guide with lessons for K-5 students to do at home.

<https://www.storylineonline.net/>



## Home-Based Learning Opportunities

Home visitors can work with parents to use the many day-to-day routines and activities in the home and community as learning opportunities.

<https://eclkc.ohs.acf.hhs.gov/curriculum/home-visitors-handbook/learning-opportunities>

## Effective Practice Guides:

In home-based settings, teaching practices are the ways that home visitors work with families to provide experiences that support the child's development and learning, engage in responsive interactions, and use the home as the learning environment

<https://eclkc.ohs.acf.hhs.gov/school-readiness/effective-practice-guides/introduction>

## Ready DLL App

Ready DLL is a mobile application (app) for Head Start and Early Head Start teachers and caregivers who support children who are dual language learners (DLLs). Access resources, learn key words and phrases, and discover implementation strategies from a smartphone.

## ELOF2GO Mobile App

ELOF2GO is a mobile resource for teachers who want to access and learn more about the Head Start Early Learning Outcomes Framework (ELOF). It's an on-the-go guide to children's development and learning.

## ELOF@HOME

The app provides on-the-go access to the ELOF and effective practices home visitors can use to support those goals. Home visitors can build on their knowledge by reading through stories and identifying the practices used to support families.

## CURRICULUM CONSIDERATIONS

- Some curricula provide supplemental activities that can extend learning into the home environment. Encourage HS / EHS programs to explore these resources
- Does the HS / EHS program's parenting curriculum provide activities that could be used in the home?

