
SAMPLING OF THE PREMIER PROGRAM

These samples are from the Preschool/Kindergarten 'Spotlight' program

‘SPOTLIGHT’ PREMIER PROGRAM

Unlike the other grade levels, Preschool and Kindergarten “school” is based predominantly on what the child learns at home and the world around him or her, rather than on what is in a book.

Books will be used, though, because your child has a natural curiosity and desire to learn to read and write as well as do all the other “fun” stuff their older siblings get to do. Many of the books we recommend for this program will be for you, the parent, to better understand the methods of “teaching” your child at this age. There will be reading books, of course, as the stories in the books we recommend are great character building stories.

Using this program, you will learn how to use what you have in your own home as teaching tools, as well.

The Preschool and Kindergarten level of learning is all Pre...Pre-Phonics, Pre-Spelling, etc. At this level, it’s all about **getting ready** to be in a school setting.

The following is a list of the topics that are covered in this program:

OBEDIENCE
STORYTIME
MEALTIME/LANGUAGE
LANGUAGE: FEELY BAG
LANGUAGE: FRIENDSHIP TREE
LANGUAGE: LEAF LANGUAGE
LANGUAGE: FLOWER POWER
HEALTH
GROSS MOTOR SKILLS
WORK & SERVICE
ART
BIBLE
NUMBER FUN
CALENDAR TIME
PRE-PHONICS
PRE-SPELLING
PREPARATION FOR HANDWRITING
CREATIVE WRITING
NATURE STUDY/SCIENCE
HOME/NEIGHBORHOOD

BIBLE

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This is the one subject you need to have every single day. Even if this is one of those 'emergency days', and you know your life will be hurried and harried, take a few moments to read one text of Scripture, then hold your child close and pray the angels will be near all day to guide you as a family, to help your little ones to be cooperative and helpful, to be sweet to any younger siblings, and to seek to follow Jesus.

LANGUAGE

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MEALTIME

Why do we put mealtime and language together? Because it's a natural time to talk! We encourage you to make meals a 'together time' for all the family who are home. This is a great time to talk about plans for the day, or hearing what older children might have studied in their private devotional.

MATH

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NUMBER FUN

There are numbers all around us. Since this is a **thinking** topic, your child should do this in the morning with you supporting what they discover with 'see-able' numbers and 'feel-able' numbers (i.e. numbers cut out of sandpaper, made with Play Doh®, 3D magnetic numbers, or sticky numbers that cling to a window). However, math encompasses everything, so ask your child to think 'how many' with whatever exciting things they come in contact with that is of major interest to them. Remember, the 'teachable moment' makes the number stick.

CALENDAR TIME

On a daily basis this can so easily be part of your opening exercises every day. Do it before story time if you like; it only takes a few minutes to notice the date and talk about yesterday and what happened then, with a few more minutes to discuss today and tomorrow with anything significant about those dates.

READING

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STORYTIME

Make this story time count by thinking of how it contributes to your child's salvation. How does it help them to choose the right and resist the wrong? How does it help them build character, contribute to their knowledge and understanding of who God is, motivate them to do right, and develop in them a love for hearing the simple scripture stories of the Bible 'greats'.

SCIENCE

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NATURE STUDY

Little children as young as two or three are usually intrigued with something in God's great creation. Follow these interests and don't forget to introduce the other created works as well. The reporting form will help you think of the critters and creatures that will keep your youngster enthralled. Center on animals one month, birds another, insects on yet another, etc. That will be fun for all the family!

SOCIAL STUDIES

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HOME/NEIGHBORHOOD

The Home is the closest 'social studies' study and fits best with the preschooler who is about 4 years old. It includes understanding the extended family of grandparents, great-grandparents, aunt, uncles, and cousins, as well as the direct family unit.

The Neighborhood extends to the radius around the home; people who live nearby and can be included the first year you are with us if the child is already five, or wait until the second year with us, depending on the child's maturity level and needs. We might learn what people do for a living, how they care for their yard, and what animals they have. Most important of all, we learn how to show the love of Jesus without pressuring them to believe exactly the way we do. We will keep our ears open to determine if there is anything we can do to help them. We learn not to gossip and repeat things we hear unless it is to meet a need that we learn.

PHYSICAL EDUCATION

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GROSS MOTOR SKILLS

This is where free play is so important. Not only is the child free to devise their own 'practice for adult work', but also they are free to run, jump, skate, climb, slide, and walk through their activities; building up their muscles, making strong bones, and stimulating their circulatory and lymph system. Usually, no specific motor skills need to be promoted. Occasionally, when the weather keeps everyone housebound, simple marching to march music or jumping (up and down, sideways, etc.) can be done as a family activity. Their mind will be clearer and they will be better able to be calm indoors.

WORK & SERVICE

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Involving your young child in the work of the home is service. Yes, you may branch out to the community and church service, like church cleanup indoors and out, but the main training ground is in the daily needs of the home. Helping prepare meals, cleaning up after meals, making beds, keeping toys picked up, and all those suggestions found on pages 220 & 221 in ***The Moore Formula Manual*** fall in this category. These should be unpaid jobs since they are a resident of your home; a place where everyone works together to keep that home running smoothly.