



Math Talk + the 3Ts

Early math skills lead to strong math and reading success. In fact, research has found that preschool math knowledge more strongly predicts future student achievement than early literacy skills do.

Incorporating math concepts into everyday conversations - what we call **Math Talk** - prepares your child for academic success.



Math Talk isn't just about counting.

Math Talk about:

Shapes - square, circle, diamond

Measurement - long, tall, tiny

Positions and directions - over, behind, around

Comparison - bigger, same, different

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Use the 3Ts to Math Talk



Tune In to what catches your child's attention.



Talk More about it using Math Talk. Count it, describe its shape, size or position, or compare it to another nearby object.



Take Turns to keep the conversation going and develop your child's math skills.

"I love the picture you're drawing! You used so many different shapes. The head is like a circle, and the arms are rectangles! What about the tree? Is it a triangle?"

"Let's put your shoes on! Mommy's shoes are much bigger than your shoes. Your shoes are small."

"Thank you for bringing me your blanket. Let's put it on top of the couch so it doesn't get dirty under the table on the floor."

Laying the foundation for your child's academic success doesn't take flashcards or number drills, just your talk and interaction!



ANY TIME IS 3Ts TIME

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