

The Whole Child

Free Preschool Readiness and Developmental Activities

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Week 12

Mathematical skills

You will need a die and a large number of lego blocks, buttons or beans. Take turns throwing the dice. Each player may take the number of blocks that are shown by the number on the dice.

Gross Motor Skills

Let your child walk forwards and then backwards on the balls of her feet. After some practice and time she should eventually be able to run a few steps like this.

Fine Motor Skills

Take your child on a nature walk and encourage her to collect objects to use on a collage picture, e.g. feathers, seeds, grass, bark, leaves, flowers etc. You could also let her cut some pictures from old magazines to add to her design if she wishes. Help her glue them all onto a background.

Auditory Skills

Continue exposing your child to "child-friendly" classical music as suggested previously. Suggestions of CD's to consider were given at <http://www.shirleys-preschool-activities.com/the-whole-child.html> in issue #002.

Language and Thinking Skills

Ask your child to tell you what she'd take along on

- a) a trip to the beach
- b) an outing to a movie
- c) to church
- d) a shopping expedition etc.

Faith Building

Continue helping your child to memorize a verse of Scripture each week or every two weeks, depending on the length of the verse and how long it takes her to learn. There are free printable Bible memory verse cards at <http://www.shirleys-preschool-activities.com/free-printable-preschool-worksheets.html>