

# The Whole Child

## Week 24

### Mathematical Skills

Ask your child to count ten objects. Then remove them one by one and ask her to tell you how many remain. If she struggles use a lower number, like 3 or 5 objects.

### Gross Motor Skills

Encourage your child to ride a bicycle (with supporting side wheels). She should become confident and navigate corners and obstacles with relative ease.

### Fine Motor Skills

Give your child a bean bag, or make one by placing a sealed sachet of rice inside a sock and knotting it closed. Ask your child to throw it up and catch it in one hand. Then repeat the exercise with the other hand.

### Auditory Perception

Teach your child a new nursery rhyme or song and sing it together. There are fun action rhymes, bedtime rhymes and others on my website at [www.shirleys-preschool-activities.com/rhymes.html](http://www.shirleys-preschool-activities.com/rhymes.html)

### Language and Thinking

Start teaching your child the days of the week. Tell her which activities regularly happen on certain days of the week in your lives.

### Faith Building

Use the [free printable Bible coloring pages](#) that my teenaged daughter has added to my site, along with your children's Bible stories. Meghan will be adding more soon, so bookmark the page. Remember that there are also easy, printable [Bible Memory Verses](#) with illustrations to help non-readers too. Go to

<http://www.shirleys-preschool-activities.com/free-printable-preschool-worksheets.html>

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## Week 25

### **Visual Perception**

Let your child complete some dot-to-dot pictures. This develops visual closure.

### **Mathematical Skills**

Give your child a small amount of money to spend. Help to learn the value of that amount of money and show her what products she can buy with it. A loaf of bread, or a bar of chocolate, an ice-cream cone or a pack of stickers etc

### **Gross Motor Skills**

Encourage your child to tuck her chin onto her chest, squat down and do a forward roll on the floor. If she does this with ease, then see if she can do two in a row.

### **Fine Motor Skills**

Let your child roll a marble around the inside of the lid of a cake tin. She must focus on the marble and follow its circular motion with her eyes, without moving her head.

### **Auditory Perception**

Say four words or numbers in a sequence and ask your child to say it back to you. Add more words that she must repeat if this is easy for her.

### **Faith Building**

At bedtime, ask your children to confess anything they did that day that they know they shouldn't have done. Teach them to confess their sins and ask Jesus to forgive them. Children are often relieved to be able to 'offload' their burdens in a non-confrontational situation and receive forgiveness for their sins.