



READERS INSPIRED

Print Awareness Checklist



We can support print awareness by providing the young children in our lives with as many opportunities to interact with and notice print throughout the day.

This resource is to provide you with more ways to increase print awareness. In this resource, you will find a list of ways to incorporate print awareness at home and a checklist to monitor print awareness.

Use this list as a catalyst to create new ideas which give the young child in your life opportunities to see, use, and play with print.

WAYS TO INCORPORATE PRINT AWARENESS

LEARNING AIDS

- Magnetic letters
- Alphabet books
- Alphabet card
- Sorting items
- Matching items
- Shapes
- Board games
- Painting
- Writing tools
- Computer keyboards
- Books
- Easel

EVERYDAY PRINT

- Name writing station
- Labeling household materials
- Labeling toys
- Calendar
- Weather chart
- Daily schedule
- Food labels
- Billboards

CONCEPT OF PRINT

CHECKLIST

DATE:

Hand the child a picture book with the spine facing them.

- Can you show me the back of the book?
- Can you show me the front of the book?
- Can you point to the title of this book?

Open the book to the first page of the story.

- Point to the pictures/illustrations.
- Point to the first word on this page.
- Which way do we go when reading?
- Point to the last word on the page. What do I do after I read this word?

Turn to a page with one line of text and ask:

- How many words are in this sentence?

Turn to a page with 2 lines of text. Read the first line out loud pointing to each word. At the last word of the first line ask:

- What should I read next?
- Point to a letter.
- Point to a word.