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# Themes

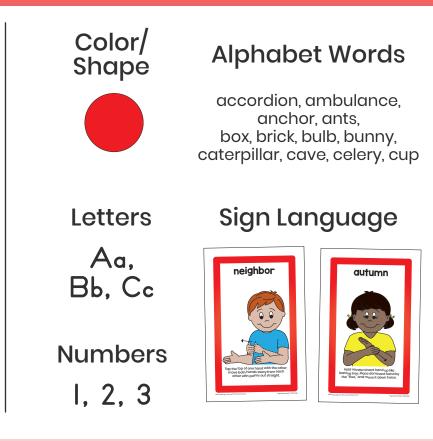
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#### All About Me

This theme is all about celebrating the uniqueness of each child in your care. Children will explore the concepts of self, friendship, and family as they get to know each other, you, and the learning environment.

#### Fantastic Fasteners

How many ways can we create, connect, and hold things together? Fasteners serve many purposes in the real world, from laces tying our shoes, to buttons closing our shirts, to glue holding a collage together, to nuts and bolts keeping buildings upright. This theme highlights the many ways fasteners, big and small, help humans in daily life.



### Learn with Me!

#### My Own ABC Book

Work on early literacy skills together by supporting your child in making their own ABC book. Provide paper, stickers, magazines, coloring tools, scissors, and glue. Explain the concept of coming up with a word for each letter. Help your child get started by modeling how to write and choose an item for letter A (apple sticker, alligator picture, etc.). Your child might prefer to start with the first letter of their name. Work on different letters over time (it's okay to do them out of order). When all of the pages are completed, bind them with a stapler.

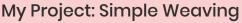
#### **Getting Dressed**

Encourage your child to dress and undress independently. Model zipping, tying, buttoning, and snapping garments. Provide positive reinforcement as your child learns to manipulate and manage their own clothing.

#### My Project: A Is for Ants

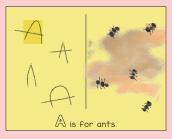
When I bring this project home, we can:

- Name the letter and make its sound together.
- Look for things around home that start with the letter.
- Talk about names of family members that include the letter A.



When I bring this project home, we can:

- Talk about whether weaving was easy or challenging to learn.
- Name the colors of the materials.
- Notice any household items that are woven.



Graphics are intended to show samples of projects. Materials may be substituted or used differently.

# **FAMILY CONNECTION**

### **Book List**

I Like This, You Like That by Linda Ashman

The Color Monster: A Story About Emotions by Anna Llenas

All About Me by National Geographic Kids

Preschool, Here I Come! by D. J. Steinberg

The Missing Pairs by Yvonne Ivinson

Pete the Cat and His Four Groovy Buttons by Eric Litwin

Hello Autumn! by Shelley Rotner

The Most Magnificent Thing by Ashley Spires

# Songs & Rhymes

**Counting Pairs** 

I can count pairs—1, 2! It's so easy to do. Eyes, shoes, socks, Dice, earrings, and hands on a clock. I can count pairs—1, 2! Can you count pairs too?

#### One, Two, Buckle My Shoe

One, two, buckle my shoe; Three, four, shut the door; Five, six, pick up sticks; Seven, eight, lay them straight; Nine, ten, a big fat hen!

# Recipe

**Circle Cereal Treats** 5 cups circle-shaped cereal 6 cups miniature marshmallows

3 T. butter

Grease a 13 x 9-inch pan or line with parchment paper. Invite your child to help measure the cereal into a large bowl.



Talk about the circle shape of the cereal. Next, measure the marshmallows into a large microwaveable bowl, and add the butter. Heat on high, stopping to stir intermittently until the marshmallows are melted and the mixture is smooth. Immediately add the cereal to the mixture and stir until evenly coated. Using your hands or the back of a wooden spoon, press the mixture firmly into the prepared pan. Let cool, and cut into bars to serve.

# Reminders