Parent Corner

Today in Active Learning@Home we are focusing on nouns in English. Then we are going stretch our bodies to learn more about different types of angles. Supporting your child’s learning at home is important for his or her performance at school. And remember, learning can be fun.

Book of the day

The Legend of the Black Sea is an unforgettable story about a fisherman who loses his belief in goodwill and learns a valuable lesson.

THE LEGEND OF THE BLACK SEA

Children’s story with a moral: AGE 6-12


Online Resources

FREE online applications (Apps) recognised by the Department of Basic Education (linked to the curriculum) are available.

2Enable register here: https://www.2enable.org/
Also visit the DBE’s Cloud at: https://dbecloud.org.za

These provide support materials in all languages for several Grades.

Learning together is FUN

Do the following activities with your child. They are linked to the work that he or she is already doing in class. In this way you help him or her to stay up to date with his or her learning.

Pronouns are...

For your child to be able to read, write or speak the language, he needs to understand how words are used. Today you will assist your child to understand what pronouns are in English. A noun is a part of speech that names a person (a boy or Thabo), an animal (the dog or Fluffy) or a place (the town or Soweto). A pronoun is used to replace the noun in a sentence, by using words like he, she, his, him, we.

Exercise with angles

Today you and your child are going to have fun learning about angles by doing stretch exercises. We will use the different names for angles and what each angle looks like to do these exercises. Let your child look at the pictures and identify the 4 different angles, their names and what each angle looks like.

Acute angle: the corner point is less than 90 degrees.
Right angle: the corner point is 90 degrees.
Obtuse angles: the corner point is greater than 90 degrees.
Straight lines: there is no corner, it is flat or 180 degrees.

When your child knows what each of these angles looks like, he needs to use his body through different positions and stretches that will look like the angle when you say the name of the angle. Task for the day: Ask your child to use these 4 types of angles and work out a stretch exercise activity that the whole family can do this evening. If your child cannot physically move due to any medical condition, have him take a teddy bear (or doll) and ask him to form angles using the selected object.

Play today

Freeze dance party: Dancing can be fun especially if it is to your child’s favorite song. Dancing is a good form of exercise that improves a child’s mental, emotional and physical well-being. Choose some music that your children know, or listen to songs on the radio and have them dance. Explain to everybody, that if the music stops, they need to freeze immediately in whatever position they are in and hold that position until the music begins again.

If a player does not freeze immediately, he or she gets a penalty point. The one with the least penalty points at the end of the dance wins.

Healthy Habits

Greet with the elbow greet—do not shake hands

Remember to keep it PLAYFUL and FUN. That is how children learn.

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