



Unit 1: All About Me

Week 2: Show Me Your Letters!



LENGTH OF AT-HOME ACTIVITY: 10 to 15 minutes

YOU'LL NEED: The book *My Blue is Happy* by Catia Chen and Jessica Young, and a pencil

ACTIVITY STEPS:

TALK to your child about letters. Help your child spell his or her name aloud, and then try your name, your child's last name, and/or the names of relatives and friends they know well.

WRITE the names you've just spelled out loud, using the back of this page or a separate sheet. Pick out the letters together, sounding them out and describing their shapes on the page. Allow your child to try writing or tracing them.

HUNT for these same letters in the book *My Blue is Happy* with your child. Allow your child to find the letters on his or her own before you assist. Keep a count of the letters your child finds, such as "3 R's, 4 B's" and so on. Match those letters to the letters in your names.

ASK QUESTIONS and wait 3-5 seconds for an answer. Example questions:

What letter makes this sound? *Examples: "Puh," "tuh," "guh"*

Can you tell me a letter that can make more than one sound? *Example: C. Talk about the two sounds C can be: "suh" or "kuh"*

REVIEW: Looking back at the pages of *My Blue is Happy*, ask your child to find his or her favorite color in the book. Find the word on the page and, pointing to the first letter, ask your child to tell you what that letter is and sound it makes.

CONNECT: Ask your child to think of other words that start with the same letter as his or her name. Try this also with the first letter of his or her favorite color.

FOLLOW UP ACTIVITY: On a walk outside or at the grocery store, have your child go on a letter hunt to find the letters in his or her name. Let him or her find the letters without assistance. Ask him or her to describe the shapes of the letters and to tell you the sounds each letter makes.

WRITING EXTENSION: On the back of this page, write down your child's favorite color and allow him or her to practice writing by tracing your letters. Sound out the letters together as you look at them.

CONGRATULATIONS, PARENT!

You've completed a Virtual Pre-K lesson!

Congratulate your child and remember to read together before bed!