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1. **Click here to watch today’s circle time video**

2. **Choose an activity to do with your child**
   - Bear activities. (see the attached pdf.)
     - Teddy Bear exploration *(page 1 and click here for the instruction video.)*
     - Draw and color a teddy bear (p2)
     - Word and picture matching (p3)
     - Bear Maze (p4)
     - Gummy Bear Experiment (p5)
   - Who took the cookies from Arleide's cookie jar?
   - "Brown Bear Brown Bear What Do You See?" signed by Arleide

3. **Click here to watch goodbye circle video**

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**Kindergarten readiness : Play word game at home or in the car**

Introduce simple word games on a regular basis. Focus on playing games that encourage your child to listen, identify and manipulate the sounds in words. For example, start by asking questions like “What sound does the word ______ start with?” “What sound does the word ______ end with?” “What words start with the sound ______?” and “What word rhymes with _______?”.

(Excerpt from [How to teach kids to read at home, 10 simple steps](#))

I SPY game
Simply pick an object and describe it by using the first letter of the object. For example, “I spy with my little eye, something that begins with the letter S.” You can start by working your way through the alphabet.

Other talking games to try: **Adjective game** – Ask your child to describe a friend or family member with as many words as they can. **Rhyming words** – Start with one word such as 'cat' and ask your child for words that rhyme.

(Excerpt from [5 Fun Literacy Games Your Child will Love](#))