

Math Around the Home

Math is all around us! We can support children's learning in mathematics through everyday experiences around the house. Here are a few ideas to help you get started:

Bedroom

- Count saved change in a piggybank or identify different coins.
- Read books about math together.
- Set an alarm clock.
- Identify patterns on blankets or sheets.

Bathroom

- Estimate how long it will take to fill up the bathtub.
- Set a timer for brushing your teeth.
- Learning with the bathroom scale - how much do things weigh?

Closet

- Order the shoes from smallest to largest.
- Estimate how many shoes or coats are in the closet.
- Count how many hats or mittens are in the closet.

Living Room

- Play a math board game as a family.
- Sort laundry or other household items.
- Make a family calendar.
 - Build structures with toys or boxes.

Dining Room

- Discuss the math you saw throughout your day.
- Set the table - count how many plates and utensils you will need.
- Learn about fractions by dividing up food.

Kitchen

- Measure various ingredients.
- Help plan a grocery budget.
- Find different shapes around the kitchen.
- Discuss the role of temperature - how do we keep food hot or cold?

