



# Tips for Preschoolers

## Things to Keep in Mind When Using the Calendar

- Talk with your child about things that are the same and things that are different.
- Encourage your child to play with other children.
- When playing games together, take turns with your child.
- Count everything.
- Provide your child with chances to choose (“Do you want to wear your red or blue shirt?”)
- Use picture books and have your child come up with his/her own story.
- Do the laundry together. Sort clothes by colour, where they belong, type of clothing.
- Pretend with your child, with or without toys.
- Sing songs, say rhymes, do finger plays and

## Most Preschoolers Will:

- Use sentences with 4 to 6 words. (“I go get my doll.”)
- Give and follow directions.
- Understand the meaning of in, on, and under.
- Tell stories and sing songs.
- Ask and answer questions, such as who, what, where, why.
- Makes themselves understood by other people 60% of the time.

## Are You Concerned? - When to Seek Help

If your child:

- ▶ Becomes frustrated when trying to communicate.
- ▶ Repeats words, but does not know what they mean.
- ▶ Puts only two words together at a time.
- ▶ Has problems listening and being understood.
- ▶ Stutters often.

\*\* Check the Preschool Speech and Language Directory for your local program.