

alphabet beats

writing lowercase letters

Children often like to imitate what they see on television. If your child would like to participate along with Miss Marnie, print out the activity pages in this document and have fun with them together. Once your child feels more comfortable and self-confident with our activity sheets, try creating your own or purchase similar items to encourage this new skill.

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The following pages are replications of activities and songs that are demonstrated in our lowercase video program:

- 1) a - addition Once your child can grasp the concept of addition as Miss Marnie demonstrates, try other objects to expand this new skill. Count different cookie pieces and then have a snack break. Remember to make learning fun!
- 2) c - camel coloring picture Once your child feels successful with coloring, try to encourage his or her imagination: draw and color a house, a lake, some clouds in the sky, etc.
- 3) c - "cover your mouth" song Teachers and parents may want to have this picture available during the flu season to visually remind their children to cover their mouths. Sing the song together.
- 4) d - days of the week Sing Miss Marnie's "days of the week" song. Follow along and point to the chart so your child can learn how to spell each day of the week.
- 5) e - engineer through a maze Start to build your child's understanding of mazes. There are many books available for purchase that are designed for various skill levels. Mazes encourage children with their basic problem solving skills.
- 6) g - game Use this simplified game board to help teach your child to roll the dice, count spaces and, most importantly, take turns.
- 7) i - identical ice cream cones Please note that there are three pages of ice cream cones for this activity. Cut out each ice cream cone (or even have your child help cut them out). Play the game just like we do on our video and discuss how the cones are different or the same. When using the term "identical", incorporate it with "same" and "match" to build their understanding of synonyms and vocabulary knowledge.
- 8) l - lace a lemon Follow the activity as directed on the page. This is a great activity for eye-hand coordination and fine motor control.
- 9) q - quiz This can be a fun activity to demonstrate how to encircle objects and learn about a quarter.
- 10) t - thick vs. thin Our models of thick and thin may be helpful in teaching your child about this spatial concept.
- 11) w - wash your hands Practice using the song to remind your child to wash her hands. Post this picture in the bathroom to help her visualize and remember that Miss Marnie likes to wash her hands.