

Play Based Literacy: *embracing all types of play to build literacy foundations*

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play is how young children actually develop literacy

“Play does not have to connect directly to a literacy-based activity, to support literacy. In fact, a child cannot play without building skills that will support them when it comes to reading and writing.”

“Literacy begins with embracing the whole child, not introducing reading and writing instruction at an early age.”

cornerstones of language and literacy

“[Literacy] is not a matter of teaching; rather, it is a matter of developing.”

child-led play

“Play is of the child. If it is not of the child, it is not play.”

all play supports literacy

infant/toddler play

construction play

creative arts play

sensory play

gross motor play

environments

for play

adult's role