



Strong Start to reading™
"Making a difference in the life of a child"



What you need:

Sidewalk chalk
Outside space such as a sidewalk or driveway
Models of words or letters

Playing the Game:

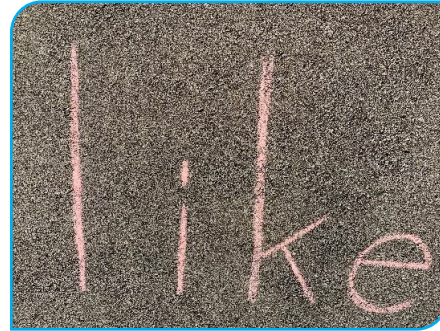


Learning Connections:

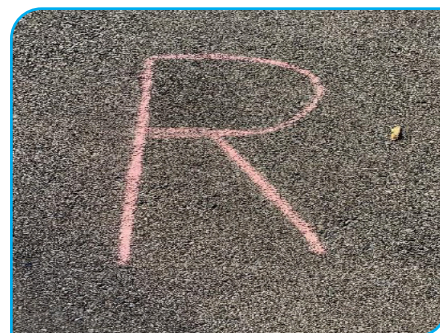
This activity provides opportunities to

- develop a knowledge of the letters of the alphabet including the sounds they make.
- automatically read and understand some high frequency words.
- develop control of large muscles.
- develop spatial awareness when using large muscles.

Chalk It Up



1. Choose one or more words or letters to make.
2. Use sidewalk chalk to make the letters or words on the driveway or sidewalk.
3. If working on sounds, have your child chant the sound the letter makes as they make the letter.
4. Make the letters or words large enough to walk around as your child chants the letter name, the sound the letter makes or says the letters in the word.
5. Challenge your child to make rhyming words or Word Family words (see the Word Family Flip Book Activity).



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