

“Jobs People Do”

What's new in our class this week

We are learning about the different kinds of “Jobs People Do”!

This week we will be talking about workers and the jobs they do. We will talk about how it is important to work together with your friends at school and with your family at home.

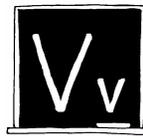
New Concept:

Connecting Books to Your Life



It is important to be able to relate the books you are reading with experiences from your own life. This skill will help children remember what they read both at school and home. So as you read to your child, talk about the things you see and read in the books, and how they are the similar or different from what is happening in your home and community.

New Letter



Big “V” and little “v”

Some “V” words we will talk about are Van, Vegetables, Vest and Violin!

Letter Talk

“Letter Talk” is what we use to help children learn how to form letters!

Letter Talk for big ‘V’

Straight line down slant right. Straight line down slant left.

Letter Talk for little ‘v’

The lowercase v is the same as the uppercase letter, except that it is smaller. Straight line down slant right. Straight line down slant left.

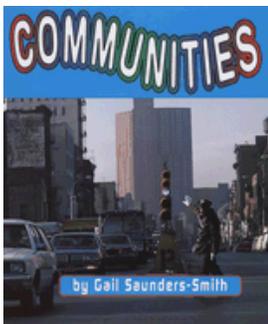
Use your finger to draw letters in the air or in the palm of your hand!

Song we are singing



“The Muffin Man”

New Book: “Communities” by Gail Saunders



Communities is a book about community workers and places that they work. This book talks about real people and real places, and describes different types of workers in a community and explains the service which each person in each occupation provide.

We will talk about how a community is a place in which people live and work. Share with your child about the community where you live and work.

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Jobs in Danville

Children are fascinated when grown-ups go to their job each day. They love to pretend that they are teachers, nurses, police officers, and more.

While driving in your car or riding on the bus, point out the different buildings where people work. Talk with your child about the different jobs people do at work. If you pass a fire station you might talk about fire safety rules for your home and what your child would do if there was a fire. Ask them what a firefighter does at work.

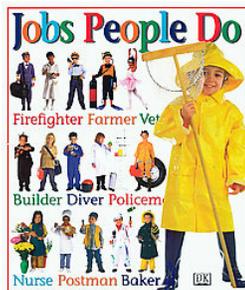
The library offers many books on different careers. Ask your child what they would like to be and check out books to read together.



Books related to theme

- “When I Grow Up” by Peter Horn
- “He Bear, She Bear” by Stan Berenstain
- “If I Could Work” by Terence Blacker
- “Corduroy Goes to the Fire Station” by Don Freeman
- “Mommy’s Office” by Barbara Shoot Hazen

Book Pick: “Jobs People Do” by Christopher Maynard



This book has wonderful, big, colorful photographs of children dressed as different workers. The book has information about tools, equipment, and the workplaces for many, different occupations. The career choices displayed are non-sexist and the cast is multicultural. There are boys and girls trying out various adult roles to help decide what they want to be when they grow up.

Published by DK Publishing.

Try These Tips at Home

Help your child learn about: *Connecting Books to Real Life*

- When reading with your child, help relate activities in the book to something you and your child have done. You might say “The little mouse likes to go to the movies, just like us!” or “They also go to the Laundromat to do their laundry, just like us!”.
- Whenever possible relate something you and your child are doing to a book you have read. For instance, if you are cooking dinner, you can talk about a book you have read where the child helped cook.

Teach your child about the letters: *V and v*

- Find words that include the letter “V” when reading with your child.
- Play “I Spy” for things that begin with the letter “V” when shopping (i.e. vegetables, vinegar, Vaseline)

Help your child learn more about: *Jobs People Do*

- Give your child riddles to solve. For example, “I use a fire hose and a ladder to put out fires. Who am I?” (firefighter) or “I help you take care of your teeth? Who am I?” (dentist)
- Point out and read signs on neighborhood buildings, like the Fire Station, Library, Post Office. Talk with your child about the different people that work in those buildings and ask your child what jobs people do in those buildings.
- Sing “The Muffin Man” using different jobs, such as a firefighter, construction worker, principal, and others.