

# Curriculum for Toddlers: What Happens When . . .

## Take Home Opportunities

A sampling of learning experiences, in addition to the Discoveries-to-Go, that provide ways to engage families and connect them to what children are learning.

## Skill and Concept Focus

An easy way to see a sample of learning experiences that focus on beginning concepts of colors, shapes, science/math, and print awareness.

### Subtopic 1: I Make Things Happen

#### Take Home Opportunities

Learning Experience	Page Number
Picture Printing	11
I Draw Pictures	13
My Hands Can Paint	13

#### Skill and Concept Focus

Learning Experience	Page Number	Colors	Shapes	Science/Math	Print Awareness
Picture Printing	11				
I Mix and Shake	12				
My Hands Can Paint	13				
I Balance Beanbags	14				

### Subtopic 2: I Use Things to Make Things Happen

#### Take Home Opportunities

Learning Experience	Page Number
Making Sculptures	19
Cameras Take Photos	19

#### Skill and Concept Focus

Learning Experience	Page Number	Colors	Shapes	Science/Math	Print Awareness
Keyboard Fun	17				
Pushing Buttons	17				
Making Sculptures	19				
Cameras Take Photos	19				

### Subtopic 3: I Put Things Together

#### Take Home Opportunities

Learning Experience	Page Number
Stringing Things	25

#### Skill and Concept Focus

Learning Experience	Page Number	Colors	Shapes	Science/Math	Print Awareness
Sticker Books	23				
Shape Sorting	24				
Stringing Things	25				
Tote and Dump	25				

### Subtopic 4: I Mix Things Up

#### Take Home Opportunities

Learning Experience	Page Number
Different Dough	31
Paint Textures	31
Mix-It-Up Finger Paint	31
Tummy Roll Painting	32

#### Skill and Concept Focus

Learning Experience	Page Number	Colors	Shapes	Science/Math	Print Awareness
<i>Snowball Soup</i>	29				
What Can We Cook?	29				
Swirling Colors	30				
Punch for Everyone	30				

## Expanded Interest Area Ideas

**Community Helpers** – Fill an area of the room with hoses, toothbrushes, construction hats, and photos of community places. This topic allows children to explore various community helpers. (I Go to Work, p. 13; How Do You Use It, p. 17; Make a Video, p. 19; Fastening Clothes, p. 25)

**Bakery** – Create a bakery area using pie tins, mixing bowls, measuring cups, cookie cutters, and more. Inspire children as they mix, explore, and create in their own bakery. (Cream Cheese Glue, p. 24; What Can We Cook?, p. 29; Mix Up Some Fun, p. 33)