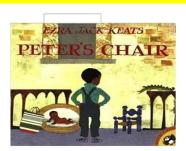


# **Making Names**



**Standards:** ELA.SL.CC.PS.1.a - b ELA.SL.PKI.PS.3



#### **Materials:**

- Peter's Chair
- tag or poster board
- tag or poster board letter tiles
- small dishes or trays
- unifix cubes
- small round stickers
- magnetic or foam letters
- clothespins

# **Vocabulary:**

- letter
- name: what you call a person
- square: a shape with four straight sides and four right angles
- match: look the same

# **Preparation:**

Set up materials.

Depending on the ability of the children, use tiles/foam/magnetic letters/unifix cubes for letters. For fine motor development, write letters on clothespins and ask children to clip clothespins on top of corresponding letter.





#### Intro to Centers:

"The children's **names** in *Peter's Chair* were Peter and Susie."

"Here are the *letters* in their *names*. What do you notice?"

"You practiced writing names before in Writing and Drawing. What do you notice?"

"Today, at Writing and Drawing, you can practice making names using these materials."

"First, find the card with your *name*. Here is \_\_\_\_\_'s *name*. How do we know this is \_\_\_\_\_'s *name*? There is a *square* underneath each *letter*. Next, find the *letter* that *matches*--is the same as--the *letter* in the *name*. And put it in the *square*."

Show illustrations.

Show names written on sentence strips. Children respond.

Show children's work. Children respond.

Show materials.

Model.

## **During Centers:**

Support children with various levels of letter recognition and/or fine motor ability. Encourage children to collaborate. Refer to Week 1: *Drawing and Labeling Family Pictures*. Encourage children to reference their name cards.

### **Guiding Questions during Centers:**

- Who else has the same letters in their name as your name? How do you know?
- What lines/curves are in the letters of your name?
- Is your name longer or shorter than \_\_\_\_\_\_'s name? How do you know?
- Where in our classroom can you find the letters in your name?

**Thinking & Feedback:** Invite children to share their processes. Encourage children to describe the challenges they might have encountered.

**Documentation:** Collect samples of the children's work as well as photographs and/or video of their process; use the documentation to launch a discussion during Thinking and Feedback.

### **Provocation:**

Add tag or poster board cards with character names and/or vocabulary words from story reads to Writing and Drawing and/or Puzzles and Manipulatives.