Books and Math

Did you know that reading and telling stories to your child will help her be ready for math in school??? Children who do best in math are able to talk about the math they are doing.

You help your child get ready for math at school when you:

1. Read and tell your child interesting stories.
   Tell your child about what you did today. Tell stories you remember hearing as a child. Make up a new silly story together! Tell a story that you read together in a book.

2. Ask your child to tell the story back to you.

3. Talk about what happened first, next and last.

4. Count the objects that you see.
   Talk about shapes and patterns.

5. Use words to tell about what you see.
   “Look at the three brown bears. That bear is bigger than the others. Maybe that’s the papa.”

6. Connect the story to your child’s play.
   “Those bears look like the bears from the story. Should we use the legos to build a bed for each of the bears?”