

POWERFUL PARTNERS

December

Parents and Guardians,

You are powerful partners in education and learning does not have to end in the classroom. How can you help at home? Here are some engaging activities that will support learning at home and help your child become more successful in their studies.

READING

Increase Foundational Reading Comprehension

- With your child, write a letter to Santa including the child's wish list.



Increase Reading Fluency

- Draw a picture about a holiday. After drawing the picture, encourage your child to write a sentence about it.
- Make Christmas cookies with your child. Have him or her read the list of ingredients.

MATH

Add within 20

- Tell your child they have 10 objects (you can physically give them objects as well). Ask them what they need to do to get to 17 objects. They should tell you add 7. Have them tell you the addition sentence associated with this problem $10+7=17$.
- Practice problems like the one above as you are traveling down the road. See how many problems they can do between your house and the school, or their school and the ball field, etc.

Subtract within 20

- Give your child 20 objects (coins, popcorn kernels, spoons, etc.) Ask them to take some of the objects away and see how many they have left. Have them come up with the subtraction problem that relates to the piles. ($20 \text{ objects} - 5 \text{ objects} = 15 \text{ objects left}$).
- Have your child practice 7 more problems like the one in problem. Make sure each time to emphasize the subtraction problem that it relates to.