

Finding Math in Our Path

How Do We Use It?

Beginner: Discuss with your child how math is involved in activities they enjoy.

[Tip]: Things like noticing shapes and patterns when painting, how high you can build a structure before it falls, or how many toys you are playing with.

Intermediate: Use math with your child during fun activities.

[Tip]: Things like using shapes and patterns when painting, measurement when baking, and calculating scores in a sports game.

Experienced: Encourage your child to explore how math is involved in their favourite activities. **[Tip]:** Explore the ways math is used in things like baking (measurement and temperature), playing catch (speed and distance), playing with play doh (shapes and sizes).

Why is this important? Pointing out how math is related to fun activities helps decrease anxiety and increase childrens' interest and understanding of math concepts.

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