Making Small Moments Big! Thursday

When you talk, read and sing with children, you're helping them build their brains and develop important language, math, reading and social skills. Use these cards every day to help your child learn through their play.

If you have questions about your child’s growth or want to talk with someone about parenting, please call 2-1-1 and ask for Help Me Grow.
Creating fun hand and body movements to go along with the lyrics of a song can help children get excited about a song while learning new words and concepts. You can even encourage your preschooler to make up some silly moves!
Make reading fun and exciting. Try to ask “Who? What? When? Where? Why?” questions along the way to encourage your child to talk about what’s happening in the story. You can also use different voices and gestures to act out the characters or story.
Share back-and-forth conversations. When talking together, try to take turns listening and speaking. When you keep the conversation going for as long as possible, you’re helping your child develop language skills and also showing her that her words are important.
Use measurement language to compare objects that your child sees and uses every day: Which is bigger, faster, longer, shorter?
Play comparison games by gathering a few objects and talking about which is longest or shortest. Use comparison words like wide, wider, and widest.