Making small moments big!

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. For more tips and activities, visit onlib.org/makingsmallmomentsbig.
Introduce your child to a new feeling - such as boredom - using pictures, gestures and words. Encourage your child to use a variety of words to describe how he feels.
Encourage your child to make choices as often as possible. Ask, "Do you want to play with the blocks or read a story?" He will like having control over what he does.
Your child is learning more about rules but will still need reminders. Talk about your family rules. Keep rules short and simple, and be consistent.
Your child may need some help when he disagrees with a sibling. Remind him to express his feelings with words and that he can come to you for help.
At the end of the day, let family members talk about what happened that day. Help your child tell about her day. Say, "Latoya and I worked on a puzzle today. Latoya, tell your sister what else we did today."