

Make a Difference

Address Blocks

Tip:
use these blocks to create a hands-on mapping activity

Tip:
take the time to let the conversation flow...slow down, discuss, and explore

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Materials:

- digital pictures of children's homes
- wood blocks
- school glue
- Mod Podge

Steps:

1. Spread the pictures out and ask the children to find the picture of their own home.
2. Provide scissors and school glue for children to create their own address block.
3. When dry, adult should coat with ModPodge to seal.
4. Place in block area.

Remember, as the adult you are the creator of the environment. Take advantage of opportunities to have rich discussions with children that extend learning.

The Benefits of Adding Address Blocks

1. Children are used to seeing their home from a 3-dimensional perspective. These blocks create an opportunity for children to see and identify their home from another perspective.
2. As children play with perspective they are sorting and categorizing information from their first-hand experience. They are translating real world knowledge to a photographic representation. This is a detailed cognitive process.

