



A Home For Me and a Home For You

By participating in Play K at the library with the A Home For Me and a Home For You playscape, your child had experiences with vocabulary and concepts centered on the theme of house and home. The best way to help your child learn new vocabulary and concepts is through repeated practice over time. Here are five ideas for practicing your child's new learning at home. Enjoy!

1. Use the new words your child learned from this playscape in everyday conversation, as often as possible. For example, "Let's see if we can describe the rooms in our home. We can start with the kitchen, while I fix dinner." Help your child use adjectives for color and size while describing the room to further develop vocabulary. For example, "Yes, we do have big cabinets in our kitchen! Our cabinets are white with silver handles. What color is our floor?"
2. Make a list of all of the different types of homes your family and friends live in and where they are located. Ask your child to draw pictures for each dwelling and help your child label the pictures (for example, apartment, house, mobile home, etc.).

3. Sing this song from Storytime together:

Where People Live

(Tune, "The Old Grey Mare")

Some people live in apartments
Live in apartments, live in apartments
Some people live in apartments,
That's where some people live.
Some people live in mobile homes
Live in mobile homes, live in mobile homes
Some people live in mobile homes
That's where some people live.
Some people live in big houses
Live in big houses, live in big houses
Some people live in big houses;
That's where some people live.
Some people live in little houses
Live in little houses, live in little houses
Some people live in little houses
That's where some people live.

4. Log-on to **Bookflix** for free, courtesy of your public library and PowerLibrary.org! This wonderful site allows your child to read e-books and play games related to a variety of themes. All you need is your library card. Here is the link and a list of the titles related to house and home:
<http://kids.powerlibrary.org/Remote/Remote.asp>

Fiction: *The Red Hen*

Nonfiction: *This is the Way We Help at Home*

5. Here are some additional books your child may enjoy. Ask your librarian for these and other titles related to house and home!

