ACTIVITY 5

Photo Detectives



INTENT:

Motivate educators to fill TK learning environments with alphabetic learning opportunities.

OUTCOMES:

Participants become familiar with strategies to infuse alphabetics into the TK environment.



MATERIALS REQUIRED:

- Printed Support Materials: Photo Detective Photographs (1 photo per table)
- Binocular props (optional)
- Tablemates
- Sticky note labels (small sticky notes or clear labels)



TIME: 10 minutes



PROCESS:

Prior to training:

- Print the Photo Detective PowerPoint slides (one slide per page).
- Place one slide (photograph) on each tabletop.
- Place binocular props on tabletops—either one per participant or one per table group, depending on group size and resources.

During training:

- Direct participants to find the 8 x 11 photograph on their tabletop.
- Activity prompts and directions:
 - o Get ready to practice your detective skills!
 - Take the binoculars from your tabletop and use them to hunt for areas in the photograph where opportunities for word/print recognition could be added.
 - Use sticky labels to write down your ideas and stick them to the appropriate area of the photograph. (Allow participants to work for about five minutes.)
- Bring participants back together and advance slide to the slide with the materials list.

