

What Works For Me

2014 Early Childhood Educators Workshop

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Buggy Balance and Vowel Owls

www.LearningResources.com or Amazon

Learning Resources has many new items that correlate well to standards.

Until Oct. 31 use promo code BTS40 to receive 40% off one item under \$100.

Rise and Shine Binder Teachers Pay Teachers

Tunstall's Teaching Tidbits

I use this binder as a starter to our day and have it at student seats when they enter the room. It can be programmed to the teachers choosing depending on what skills you would like students to practice. It requires an initial investment of binders, covers, markers and pencil holders, but can be reused for years. Now is a good time with school sales to purchase many of these items.

Squiggles & Reading Center Search www.PatPavelka.com

Check under Centers and Assignments

These ideas were presented at an I Teach Kindergarten conference.

Squiggles allow students to create a picture from a given line and then to write a story about their creation. It is a joy to see the different thoughts that can come from the same line. Preschool students could dictate their stories.

Reading Center Search is a way to draw students to your center with the challenge of looking for certain items in books and marking them with sticky notes. A color, letter, word or item can be posted in your reading center. Children can examine books and mark places with sticky notes with glasses or other item when the target item is found. They can then share their findings with others.

Look-Alikes Junior Joan Steiner Amazon.com

This book can be used in a center for pure enjoyment or as a means for Kindergarten students to complete sentences and practice forming words. Limit center to just one page in the book at a time and have students complete a sentence "I see a _____" or "There is a _____" Uses sight words to program sentences.