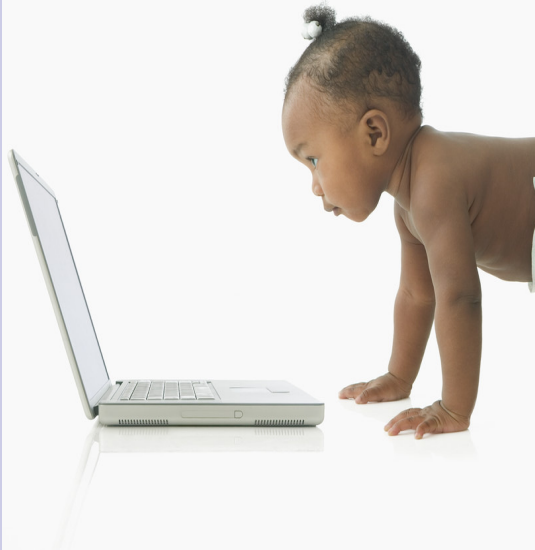


COMPUTERS

Lesson

Computers are used almost everywhere. Most have access to the internet for quick information; computers have writing applications that help with resumes, book reports, managing budgets, listening to music, viewing pictures, chatting online etc. Computers are also great teachers for young children. There are applications in the form of games that teach basic math and language skills to children. They prepare them for school and keep children knowledgeable while in school. These applications also aid in familiarizing children with the keyboard and usage of what will most likely be used in every profession.



Lesson Continued

You do not have to go into great detail about computers; you can teach your child more and more as they grow and as they become more curious. Before you even begin teaching your child about computers, make sure you have set some sort of web safety that provides some security measures to protect your child. You may also want to create a working station that is suitable for your child. Some simple things that can be taught are the usage of the mouse, monitor, and the keyboard. You should also show your child the proper ways to turn the computer on and off.

Snack Time

Enjoy your child's favorite snack and explain to him/her they should be careful when eating around computers, because if food spills on them it can damage them.



Outing

If you do not have access to a computer in your home, you can take your child to the local library and allow them to explore the computer, computer games, and books as well in a comfortable and convenient environment.

Reading Time

- Arthur's Computer Disaster (Arthur Adventures Series), by Marc Brown
- Franklin and the Computer, by Sharon Jennings
- Mousetracks: A Kid's Computer Idea Book, by Peggy L. Steinhauser

