## Activity Share: A-MAZE-ING Lefter Maze

## Age group: Preschool Age

## Curriculum Share: DRDP Concepts of Print

Learning letters doesn't have to be done with flash cards or worksheets. For preschoolers, you can incorporate learning into fun activities, like mazes. In this maze, your child will practice letter recognition to go solve the maze from start to finish

Before You Play
Talk with your child about mazes. Are mazes easy to escape? What happens when you take a wrong turn? Could clues help you find the end.



## Directions

1
Tape a maze on your floor. Use a painter's tape that's made for delicate surfaces for easy removal. The tape will be the path through the maze (not the lines around the path). First, lay down the tape in the route through the maze. Then, add turns, intersections, and dead ends off the route throughout the length. 2
Write the letters of the alphabet on all the turns and intersections. Start with the correct route through the maze and write the letter of the alphabet you'll be asking your child to follow at each turn and intersection for that route (here we chose the letter B). Fill in the rest of the intersections and turns with random letters of the alphabet.

## Directions Continued

3. Set the toy car at the beginning of the maze and explain to your child how to get through the maze by following all the letter Bs, pointing out the letter B at the beginning.
4. And with that, your child is off to connect the letters to find the way through the maze!
5. Ask older children to say a word that begins with each letter along the path in the maze. You could mix up the learning with numbers too, or even shapes! Jamie Reimer learned to be a hands-on mom by creating activities, crafts and art projects for her three boys to do and shares them on hands on : as we grow. Jamie uses the creative outlet as a way to get through the early years of parenting with a smile!
