







## **WATCH TOGETHER**

## **DONKEY HODIE**

WITF TV M-F 10am WITFK 24/7 M-F 4pm



## **EXPLORE TOGETHER**

**Donkey Hodie** is a new puppet series inspired by the quirky, funny side of Fred Rogers as well as his mission to help young viewers navigate the frustrations and challenges of childhood. Donkey Hodie and her pals empower young viewers to dream big, overcome obstacles, work hard and persevere.



Play a board or card game with your child that requires you to take turns. Discuss the value of turn-taking and the fun of playing no matter who wins and who loses.

PA STANDARD: 16.2.K.A.CC7 - PLAY COOPERATIVELY WITH A FEW PEERS FOR A SUSTAINED PERIOD OF TIME.



Depending on your child's developmental level, write either numbers or fractions or simple math equations (like 2 + 2) on separate pieces of paper. Place the papers in a random fashion on the floor. Then ask your child questions that your child can solve by moving their body to the papers. For instance, "4" could encourage your child to move to the 2 + 2 page or 4 tally marks or the number 4 depending on what skill you want to reinforce. You can ask your child to jump to the answer or pretend to swim to the answer, etc. What fun!

PA STANDARD: 2.1.K.A.1 - KNOW NUMBER NAMES AND WRITE AND RECITE THE COUNT SEQUENCE. 2.2.K.A.1 - EXTEND THE CONCEPTS OF PUTTING TOGETHER AND TAKING APART TO ADD AND SUBTRACT WITHIN 10. 10.4.PK.A - DEMONSTRATE COORDINATION OF BODY MOVEMENTS IN ACTIVE PLAY.



Grab a hula hoop or yarn /string/jump rope tied into a large circle. Head out to a nearby park or your back yard. Place your circle in the grass and encourage your child to observe and explore what they see inside their circle. Giving children a more directed observation task helps them to focus their efforts.

PA STANDARD: 3.2.4.A - IDENTIFY AND USE THE NATURE OF SCIENTIFIC AND TECHNOLOGICAL KNOWLEDGE 3.2.4.B - DESCRIBE OBJECTS IN THE WORLD USING THE FIVE SENSES.



Go on an Alphabet Scavenger Hunt. Start with A and search around your house for labels, signs, books, etc to find an A, then a B, etc. You can also do this on a walk or drive.

PA STANDARD: 1.1.K.C - DEMONSTRATE UNDERSTANDING OF SPOKEN WORDS, SYLLABLES, AND SOUNDS (PHONEMES).
1.1.PK.D - DEVELOP BEGINNING PHONICS AND WORD SKILLS.



**Donkey Hodie** uses puppets to tell stories. Try making your own puppet using a brown paper lunch back. You can even staple two piece of paper together and leave a hole at the bottom that your child can put their hand into. Decorate your bag or paper to create any kind of animal, person or creature you want. **EXTEND IT:** Perform a puppet show or song using your puppets.

PA STANDARD: 9.1.V.PK.B - COMBINE A VARIETY OF MATERIALS TO CREATE A WORK OF ART. 9.1.D.PK.B - RECREATE A DRAMATIC PLAY EXPERIENCE FOR AN AUDIENCE.