

# Learning Resources

## Building Literacy Competencies In Early Childhood

With lively visuals from exemplary classrooms, serious scholarship and clever graphics are combined to introduce students to the current vocabulary and concepts of the development of literacy.

Rejecting the "either/or" approach of the reading wars, this video presents an integrated vision of how the precursors of literacy grow from appropriate experiences provided by thoughtful adults to the children in their care.

With amusing animated graphics and footage of busy children in preschool and kindergarten classrooms, this video illustrates and clarifies terminology like *phonological awareness* and *sense of narrative*. Skillful teachers are seen using engaging activities that foster literacy growth for their young children.

Professional  
30 minutes, order 8-1077-IN

## A selection of videotapes dealing with issues surrounding adult literacy

### Daddy Can't Read

*An Abc Weekend Special*

For years Allison's father has hidden his illiteracy, ashamed that he never learned to read. Allison encourages her father and his fellow workers to join the adult reading program, but they have all grown so accustomed to the tricks of getting along without reading that the class is threatening to them.

When Allison's father accidentally gives his younger daughter an overdose of medicine because he is unable to read a note telling him to do otherwise, he finally faces reality and joins reading class.

For the 29 minute, edited version, order 1-8185.

Ages 12 to 14, Ages 15 to 18, Adult, Ages 9 to 11  
45 minutes, order 1-8167-IN

### Memory Skills

Designed to introduce basic memory and learning principles and provides specific memory strategies to help learners improve their ability to learn and remember content matter.

The program uses dramatic vignettes and "testimonials" to illustrate strategies such as recognizing objectives provided by the instructor or text, identifying embedded questions, paying attention to overviews and summaries, actively connecting ideas, making information personally relevant, relating prior knowledge to new information and self monitoring.

Ages 15 to 18 Adult  
30 minutes, order 5-4167-IN

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