

Month: December Week: 2 Subject: Phonics

Day 1	Topic(s)	Foundation(s)
	Theme: Reindeer Adventures Number: 18 Letter: Nn Color: White Shape: Square	ELA2.2 Demonstrate phonological awareness
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Indicators		
	Younger Toddlers	Older Toddlers
	May look at the letter Nn card, say "N," or copy the /n/ sound.	May say the /n/ sound when shown Nn and name one N word such as "nose" or "night."
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Activity: "Nn Song & Letter Card Show - 'N is for Nose""

Show a large letter Nn card and say the sound /n/ several times, inviting children to copy you. Sing a simple chant such as "N, N, N is for nose" while pointing to your nose and the letter card. Show a few picture cards for Nn words (nose, nest, night) and let toddlers point or touch the picture as you name it. Repeat the chant with each picture so children hear the /n/ sound many times in a playful way.

Resources/Materials • Large letter Nn card or poster	Key Vocabulary: letter, nose, sound	Support:
Picture cards for Nn words (nose, nest, night, nine, etc.)		





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	Theme: Reindeer Adventures Number: 18 Letter: Nn Color: White Shape: Square	ELA2.2 Demonstrate phonological awareness
Indicators		
	Younger Toddlers	Older Toddlers
	May notice and point to the letter Nn when it is highlighted on a name card or sign.	May find Nn in several places around the room and say /n/ or "N" when they see it.
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Activity: "Find Nn on Name Cards & Labels"

Gather children at the carpet with their name cards or a few classroom labels that include Nn. Show one card, circle or trace over the Nn, and say, "Here is N! It says /n/." Invite toddlers to look closely at their own cards to see if they have an N in their name, helping them point to it if they do. Take a short "letter walk" around the room to find Nn on wall labels and posters, cheering each time someone spots the letter.

Resources/Materials • Child name cards	Key Vocabulary: name, letter, find	Support:
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Day 3	Topic(s)	Foundation(s)
	Theme: Reindeer Adventures Number: 18 Letter: Nn Color: White Shape: Square	ELA2.2 Demonstrate phonological awareness
Indicators		
	Younger Toddlers	Older Toddlers
	May choose a picture from the basket and repeat the word or first sound after the teacher.	May help decide if a picture "starts with /n/" and place it in the Nn pile.

Activity: "Nn Picture Basket - Sort a Few /n/ Pictures as a Group"

Place a small set of picture cards in a basket, mixing a few Nn words with non-examples. Show each card one at a time, say the word slowly, and stretch the first sound ("nose - /n/"). Ask, "Did you hear /n/? Yes or no?" and have children help you place it either on the Nn mat or the "other" mat. Keep the group sort short and playful, cheering when they correctly place an /n/ word and repeating the sound together.

Resources/Materials	Key Vocabulary:	Support:
 Basket with mixed 	basket, picture, match	
picture cards (Nn		
and not Nn)		





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Day 4	Topic(s)	Foundation(s)
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Indicators		
	Younger Toddlers	Older Toddlers
	May make marks or scribbles on paper while listening to the /n/ sound.	May attempt to copy the N shape or say /n/ while stamping or drawing on paper squares.

Activity: "Nn Stamp or Crayon Marks on Big Paper Squares"

Pass out large white paper squares and show children how to make "Nn marks" on their paper. If you have letter stamps, model pressing an N stamp onto the square while saying /n/ aloud; if not, demonstrate making simple N-like lines with a crayon. Encourage toddlers to fill their square with Nn marks, repeating "N says /n/" as they work. Display the finished squares together as a simple Nn quilt on the wall.

Resources/Materials • Large white paper squares	Key Vocabulary: square, mark, N	Support:





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Day 5	Topic(s)	Foundation(s)
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Indicators		
	Younger Toddlers	Older Toddlers
	May place a "nose" on some /n/ pictures when the teacher names them.	May help choose which pictures begin with /n/ and place noses on those pictures during the group game.
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Activity: "Reindeer Nose Nn Game - Put Nose on /n/ Pictures"

Show a large game board or several picture cards of reindeer and other objects, some beginning with /n. Give each child a few red circle stickers or small paper "noses." Name a picture and say the word slowly, asking, "Does this start with /n?" If the answer is yes, invite a child to walk up and place a red nose on that picture. Continue until all /n pictures have noses, repeating the sound /n and the word together each time.

Resources/Materials • Game board or picture cards with mixed beginning-sound pictures	Key Vocabulary: nose, game, /n/**	Support:
Red circle stickers or small red paper noses with glue		

