

Teaching Ideas for PreK and Kindergarten Classes

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Write The Room - Walk around the room and type in words they find in the room.

Letter of the Week – Writing Station

Given several numbered pictures, the student shall type the number and spell the picture name or write a sentence using the picture name.

Matching Capital Letters with Lower Case Letters

As a way to recognize upper and lower case letters as well as learn the keyboard, students will type each letter of the alphabet in both capital and lower case form.

Holiday Names

Take a holiday that is in progress. Write a word with each letter of that holiday name. Example: Halloween- H=happy, a=apples l=loud l=laughing O=owls w=witches e=eery e=eating candy N=noises

Letter Recognition

Show students pictures and students can press the initial, beginning, or ending letter that they hear (depending on what teacher tells them).

Number Recognition

The child types as directed. Type 3 w's. Type 5 p's. Type 7 e's...

Sight Word Center

Practice writing sight words then reading them out loud. Have a friend spell a word to you, you type it, then read it. Then have the friend read the sight word and you try to type it.

Small groups

Small groups would spell out words that I call out to them.

Word Building

I would use the Alphasmart with word building in Project Read. I would have a student build a word on the pocket chart and then pound and sound the word. I would then let the student type the word on the AlphaSmart.

Letter of the week writing/drawing activity

Students could create a word list, where each word begins with the letter of the week, trying their best to sound out and spell the words. They could print out the list of words and illustrate by drawing corresponding pictures for their words.

Learning Colors

Teach the students their 8 basic colors by calling out a color and they go around the room and find that color.

Oral Language P-K

Students pretend to write(type) story. When they are done the student will tell the teacher what they typed. Then, the teacher will type the short story with a positive comment from the teacher and send a copy to the parent.

Typing Name (Letter Recognition) P-K

For those children that cannot yet write their name, it can be put on a sentence strip. The students will then have to look for the letters in their names.