

# Preschool Literacy: Alphabet Play Dough

## Learning Value:

This activity promotes development and learning by encouraging children to use hands and fingers to explore and interact with the environment, as well as demonstrating knowledge of print and the alphabet.

## Materials Needed:

- ▶ Play Dough
- ▶ Plastic knife



## Participants:

This activity is intended for independent play and adult/child interaction.

## Directions:

**Step 1:** Show your child how to use your hands to roll play dough into a long snake.

**Step 2:** Cut the snake into various lengths.

**Step 3:** Form the pieces into letters of the alphabet. Make your child's name or other words.

**Learn More:** Check out the activity *Strega Nona* Pretend Play. Use the play dough to make spaghetti or make words from the story.