

# Math Activities...and more

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## Book:

*The Kissing Hand* by Audrey Penn

This book is filled with hearts and love. School is just starting in the forest and Chester the raccoon doesn't want to go to school. Mrs. Raccoon eases Chester's fears by telling him about the Kissing Hand.

## Age Group:

This story is great to share with children who are starting pre-school, childcare or kindergarten.

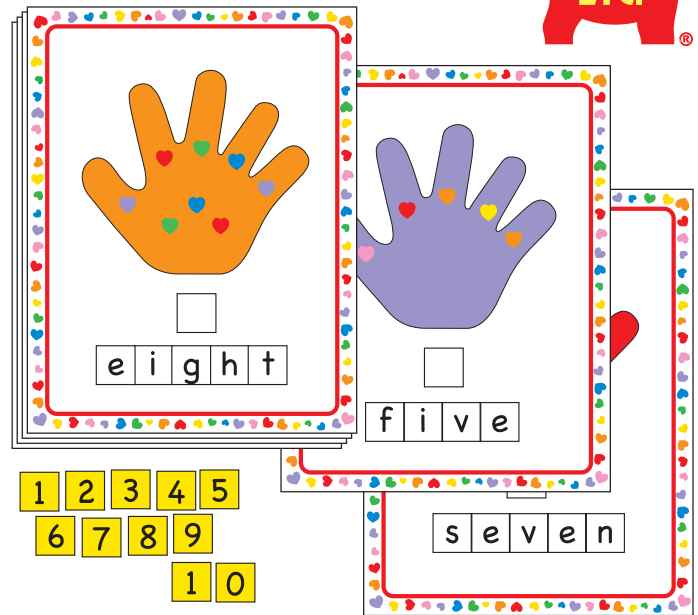
## Related Activity Ideas:

Math Activity 1-1 Correspondence:

Here's an idea to try. You will need a package of Heart Computer Paper, Heart Stickers and Large Hand Cut-Outs in assorted colors, and a print-out of number words. Our website has letter tile squares ready to print and use. Glue a Hand Cut-Out on a piece of Heart Computer Paper and add stickers. Cut apart the sheet of number word grids and glue in place as desired. Laminate and trim the computer paper. Start with a simple number matching activity, match the 1" plastic letter tile to the corresponding letters in the number word. Print out another set with blank squares for practice as students master spelling the words. Vary the degree of difficulty to meet student needs. Store in hanging files and they are ready to go. This activity is great for differentiated instruction to meet student needs with different levels of mastery.

## Variations

Use the same process with color words. Glue on a Hand Cut-Out and corresponding color word and laminate. Match 1" plastic letter tiles with the color word. Print out another set with blank squares for practice as students master spelling the words. Download blank tile squares from www.shapesetc.com and create your own variations.



## Materials List:

- Heart Computer Paper SE-9217
- Hand Large Assorted Creative Cut-Outs SE-8509
- Heart Stickers SE-2505
- Glue Stick
- Laminating Film
- Scissors for trimming

## Access to:

- A printer to download boxes with words, numbers and blank boxes
- Laminator
- 1" plastic number tiles
- 1" plastic letter tiles

