

# The “Big Five” Early Literacy Skills

## 3) Print Awareness

- Learning that what we say can be written.
- Learning how a book is held and where to begin reading.
- We read from left to right.

## 2) Vocabulary

- *Having conversations that build on:*
  - Unusual or rare words
  - Background knowledge
  - New concept

## 4) Phonological Awareness

- Rhyming words
- Beginning sounds (Alliteration)
- Ending Sounds

## 1) Oral Language

- *Conversations that encourage:*
  - Questioning
  - Predicting
  - Wondering
  - Pretending

## 5) Alphabet knowledge

- Recognizing our names and letters within
- Recognizing Letters

