



BRAIN BUILDING IN PROGRESS

Resources for Early Learning

Family Connection Letter

Unit 1: Family, Friends, and More Week 1: Family and Friends

Date _____

Dear Families,

This week children will be introduced to the learning environment. They will begin working together and learning how to become a good friend. Children will also be learning about families and many of the similarities and differences among families.

Children will watch a video from the series, *PEEP and the Big Wide World*, about three friends—Peep (a chick), Chirp (a bird), and Quack (a duck)—who have an adventure as they explore the world outdoors. Children will begin to explore and learn about their world as well—both inside and outside.

Children will also watch a show from the series, *Between the Lions*, called “But, Mama, But...” Young lion Leona helps children understand how she feels when her mama goes away on a trip. This helps open discussions about families and how children feel when you are together and apart.

Here are a few activity ideas that you and your child can enjoy together:

- Take your child outside to explore and observe things in nature. Look at trees, listen for animals, and talk about what you see and hear.
- Look at family photographs together. Talk about the people in each photograph and a time you did something that was funny, scary, or exciting as a family.

Thank you!