

## YOUR GIRL PRACTICED APPROACHES TO LEARNING!

### During this session, she also practiced:

- Showing curiosity and interest by asking and answering questions about a topic.
- Expressing creativity in thinking and communication
- Using imagination in play and interaction with others

Going into kindergarten, girls should be able to show interest in an idea or topic and ask questions about what they see. As your girl heads to kindergarten, she will be able to take initiative and explore her curiosity.

As her creative thinking skills develop, she will increasingly be able to use her curiosity to explore topics that interest her by observing, talking to her peers and asking questions.

### All skills take practice, here are some ways to help her at home:

- Make something. Ask your girl to draw/paint her favorite animal, and what it needs to be healthy, safe and happy. Ask her questions to get her started. What does the animal eat? Where does it sleep?
- Sing a song. Ask your girl to create a song about her favorite animal.
- Discover together. Ask her about an animal she wants to learn more about. What kinds of questions does she have about that animal? Have fun together by looking up fun facts in books or through internet searches to learn more.
- Get outside. Gather string, cut in pieces of about 3-foot-long, and a magnifying glass. In your backyard, on a trail, or sidewalk, lay a circle of string at least three feet long next to the walk or path. Look in the circle and count how many things you find living there, like plants or bugs. Which things are there many of? Which are there few of? Did anything surprise you? If you make a nature circle in another location, ask your girl what do you think will be different or the same?

