# Lesson 2

#### Materials:

- Clothespins (8)
- Clothespins from Lesson 1 with letters m, s, f, c, p, t, d.
- Large cup or shoebox
- Wooden craft stick
- Sticky notes
- Flashlight
- Preposition Memory Game
- Keeping You Safe, A Book About Police Officers, by Ann Owen
- Worksheet 2

## Daily Opening Routine:

- Recite The Pledge of Allegiance with your child.
- Have the child sing the alphabet.
  - Select a letter before singing the song.
  - When the child sings the given letter, have him wave.
- Have the child sing the days of the week to the tune of "Oh My Darling."
  - There are seven days, there are seven days,
  - There are seven days in a week.
  - Sunday, Monday, Tuesday, Wednesday,
  - Thursday, Friday, Saturday.
  - \* Point at the days on the calendar as the child sings each one.
- Point to today's day of the week on the calendar.
  - Point to today's day of the week on the calendar. Tell the child, "Today is \_\_\_\_\_." Have him repeat the statement.
  - Ask, "Which day was yesterday?"
  - "Which day will it be tomorrow?"
- Allow the child to mark off the previous day on the calendar with a solid-colored sticker, leaving the numeral showing for counting purposes.
  - Create a color pattern (such as red, blue, red, blue...) to mark off the days.
  - Say this pattern daily.
- Have the child count from one to today's date, pointing at the numeral on the calendar as he says each one. Ask what number comes before and after today's date.
- Have the child learn the song "9-1-1," sung to the tune of "Frere Jacques."
  - There's a break-in! There's a break-in!
  - 9-1-1! 9-1-1!
  - Call the police department! Call the police department!
  - 9-1-1! 9-1-1!

## Language Arts/Social Studies:

- Read Keeping You Safe, A Book About Police Officers. Discuss the book and the ways police officers help to keep us safe. After you read through the book, ask the child the following questions: (Guide the child in finding the answers from the text or the pictures if he does not remember.)
  - What methods of transportation do police officers use? (Some drive a patrol car, some ride horses, some ride bicycles.)
  - Describe the partners a police officer can have. (*Some have human partners and some have police dogs as partners.*)

- Worksheet 2: Read about police officers and then have the child make a puppet.
  - Help the child cut on the dashed line.
  - Have him glue the police officer to a wooden craft stick.
  - Then have him use the puppet to tell a story of a police officer helping.
- Have the child review corresponding lower-case and capital letters: Nn, Rr, Aa, Ll, Ee, Gg, Hh, Bb.
  - Gather eight clothespins.
  - Write a lower-case letter on each clothespin.
  - Write the corresponding capital letters around the rim of a large cup or shoebox.
  - Have the child pin the correct clothespin on each capital letter.
  - Include the review letters from Lesson 1: Mm, Ss, Ff, Cc, Pp, Tt, Dd.
- Have the child play Preposition Memory.
  - Lay two sets of game cards face down in even rows.
  - Player one turns over two cards.
  - Have the player identify the position of the panda in relation to the box and say the preposition.
  - If the cards match, set them aside.
  - If the cards do not match, put them back face down.
  - The next player does the same.
  - When all of the cards have been matched, count to see which player has more matches.

#### Math/Physical Education:

- Have the child be a police detective and search for numbers and shapes.
  - Game Preparation:
    - Write each numeral on a sticky note: 1, 2, 3, 4, 5, 6, 7, 8, 9, 10.
    - Draw dots representing sets of one through ten on a sticky note.

- Draw each shape on a sticky note: circle, triangle, square, rectangle, oval, star, heart, cross, rhombus, octagon. Make two sets.
- Number Detective Game Instructions:
  - + Hide the set of numeral sticky notes. Hide each sticky note in a different location.
  - + Arrange the dotted sticky notes randomly in a stack, and give them to the child.
  - + Have him count a set of dots and then search for the corresponding numeral.
  - $\ast$  Variation:
    - Hide the set of dotted sticky notes and give the set of numerals to the child.
    - + Have him identify a numeral and then search for the corresponding set of dots.
- Shape Detective Game Instructions:
  - + Hide one set of shape sticky notes.
  - Give the second set of shape sticky notes to the child.
  - + Have him identify a shape and then search for the matching shape.
- \* Challenge:
  - Turn out the lights, and have the child search using a flashlight.
  - Include numbers 11-15.
  - Include additional shapes: trapezoid, pentagon, hexagon.
  - In each game, exchange one set of clues for number words or shape words.

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#### Read about police officers.

Police officers protect our communities and help to keep us safe. You may see a police officer on the road, in your home, or in other buildings like stores, schools, or churches. When a police officer is working, he may be walking, riding a bicycle or motorcycle or horse, or driving a car. In case of emergency, the police car has lights and sirens to let people know it is coming quickly on the road. They enforce the laws in our cities and towns. When someone breaks the laws, the police officer may issue a ticket or take the lawbreaker to jail. When the lawbreaker is taken to jail in the police car, he is handcuffed. A police officer must be brave because the job can be dangerous.



Make a police officer puppet.

- Cut on the dashed line.
- Glue the police officer to a wooden craft stick.