Vroom Tips for the Family at Home!

At home with your family during the coronavirus? Now is the perfect time to try Vroom. As you meet the new challenges that each day brings, supporting you is Vroom’s primary focus. Vroom is here to share simple and fun ways to boost learning that don’t require more time or money. Vroom tips are always free, flexible, and designed to support you in your daily life. We hope they spark some moments of connection and joy in this trying time. Here are the easiest ways to access Vroom:

**Download the free Vroom app on your phone:** Discover hundreds of great activities that help your child’s brain grow strong and give you new ideas for bonding with them. The Vroom app is available in English and Spanish, and online at Vroom.org.

**Subscribe to Vroom by Text™:** No smartphone or computer needed. Brain-build with customized tips for your child, sent from Vroom’s virtual coach, Jesse. Sign-up here or text VROOM to 48258 to get started in English or Spanish.

**Download Vroom tip packets and resources in 16 languages:** Available here in Arabic, Bengali, Traditional and Simplified Chinese, English, French, Haitian Creole, Korean, Polish, Russian, Somali, Spanish, Tagalog, Urdu, Uzbek, Vietnamese, and Yiddish.

**Enable Vroom on your Alexa Device:** Brain-building is easy, even when your hands are full, with the Vroom Alexa Skill. Click here to enable the skill, then ask Alexa for tips whenever you want!

**Follow Vroom’s social media channels:** By clicking on the icons here or searching “Vroom” on any platform. The YouTube channel has incredible videos in English and Spanish.

Questions about Vroom in Colorado? Email Shelby, the Vroom Program Director at Parent Possible, to learn more about our outreach efforts and network of community partners.
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### Silly Suds
Get silly while getting clean! Tell your child, “Let’s wash your hands!” but start washing their feet. What do they do? Then say: “Oh! Those are your feet! Where are your hands?” As they get older, have them lead, using other parts of their body like elbows, wrists, and ankles.

**Suggested Age:** 12 months - 3 years

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### Brainy Background™
Your child is using their focus to listen to your words and drawing on what they already know to play this silly game with you, which strengthens their memory. They’re also practicing thinking flexibly about opposites, as well as learning new words and what they mean in a fun way!

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### Calm Down Kit
Use an empty shoebox or other container to make a “Calm Down Kit” with your child. Have your child put special items inside that help them feel secure and relaxed. When they are feeling upset, remind them to use their kit. They even can decorate the box to make it their own.

**Suggested Age:** 2 1/2 years - 5 years

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### Brainy Background™
It helps to make a “Calm Down Kit” before upset feelings happen. You’re helping your child plan for how to handle stress so they can take action in a difficult moment. This gives them more control. It also builds skills important to tackling challenges.

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### Stress Busters
During a calm moment, invite your child to come up with their own ideas for managing stressed feelings. You can make suggestions, such as using words to explain their feelings, hitting something that can’t be hurt, or counting numbers. Try out the ideas and brainstorm others.

**Suggested Age:** 2 1/2 years - 5 years

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### Brainy Background™
When you give your child some responsibility for coming up with their own ideas for managing stressed feelings, you’re helping them learn to manage their emotions and behavior. You’re also helping them learn to take on challenges.