All-Purpose Tape

When something breaks, remember a solution that worked before.

Helps Your Child Grow



Reasoning and Problem-Solving

Using a familiar tape repair in a new situation gives your child practice carrying a solution from one problem to another.



Fine Motor

Positioning tape over a torn part of the page gives your child practice coordinating what they see with precise hand movements.

Steps

- Picture books sometimes tear or lose a page after lots of use. Invite your child to help with a simple repair.
- As you apply tape, explain what it does: “The tape joins these two sides.” Let your child press the tape down or help place a piece.
- Afterward, turn the pages together: “It’s fixed, so we can read it again. Next time a book tears, we can use tape.”
- Look for another safe item that tape can repair, such as torn paper or a loose cardboard box. Wonder together, “Could tape fix this too?” and let your child try with your help.
- The next time something tears, ask, “How did we fix it last time?” so your child can recall and reuse the experience.

Tips

- Your child may not remember the solution after one try. Each experience repairing something with tape builds a memory they can draw on next time.

Observations

- ○ Uses tape to repair a damaged object
- ○ Places tape over the torn part of the page