

Crossword Blocks Game

Early Childhood Lesson Plan 2

Skills to learn:

Large motor activity linked to early literacy skills Spelling Bilingual literacy Collaborative learning

Key words (in English and Spanish):

Across

Down

Overlap

Square

Cube

Blank

Correct

Incorrect

Materials:

Props representing the words in the puzzle

Common found pre-K and K standards:

Print awareness Functions and features of print Spelling

Activity:

Have children do this game in pairs, using English words on some days and Spanish words on other days so all children get practice with both languages. Working together will encourage them not only to solve the puzzle but to vocalize their attempts. They will say the names of the letters and the words – and they will discuss their strategies as they collaborate on completing the puzzle.