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1. What is Developmentally Appropriate Practice (DAP)? Read [this explanation](#) and then summarize the definition in your own words in the space provided.



2. Watch [this video](#) about developmentally appropriate early childhood education. Answer the following questions after viewing the video.

*How do children under 8 learn BEST?*

*What is the focus of DAP?*



*What is essential to a DAP classroom?*

*What do children learn when they engage in play?*

*What does a DAP classroom look like and what types of activities does it include?*

*What are the outcomes associated with children who attend DAP programs?*

3. Utilize this [link/handout](#) titled “Developmentally Appropriate Practices with Young Children” to help you determine whether the station activities are DAP or NOT and why preschool aged children



## DAP or NOT? Stations

Use the provided information to work through the following **stations**, manipulating and playing with each. Determine if the activity is “DAP or NOT” for **PRESCHOOL** aged children and briefly explain why. If you are not sure, ask yourself the questions included in the link above.

Activity	DAP or NOT? Why?
1. Dr. Seuss Book	
2. Workbook Pages	
3. Hula Hoop	
4. Wooden Blocks	
5. Hi Ho Cherry-O Game	
6. Jump Rope	
7. Monopoly	
8. Coloring Book Pages	
9. Play-doh	
10. Dressing Barbies/GI Joes	
11. Shaving Cream Art	
12. Chapter Book	



<b>13. Make Dirt Pudding Snack</b>	
<b>14. Large Piece Puzzle</b>	

4. Read this [ARTICLE](#) and write a summary explaining the key points of what happens to children when Developmentally Appropriate Practices are ignored. Be prepared to discuss.

