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LITERACY**

for students who are blind or visually impaired

Paths to Literacy Newsletter

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Tips to Make Group Zoom Lessons More CVI-Friendly



During social distancing, Zoom meetings can be a lifeline for students. They can also be very visually and auditorily complex. DeafBlind specialist Sarah Flores shares broad recommendations for holding group Zoom meetings with students with CVI (cortical visual impairment).

[More on Group Zoom Lessons](#)

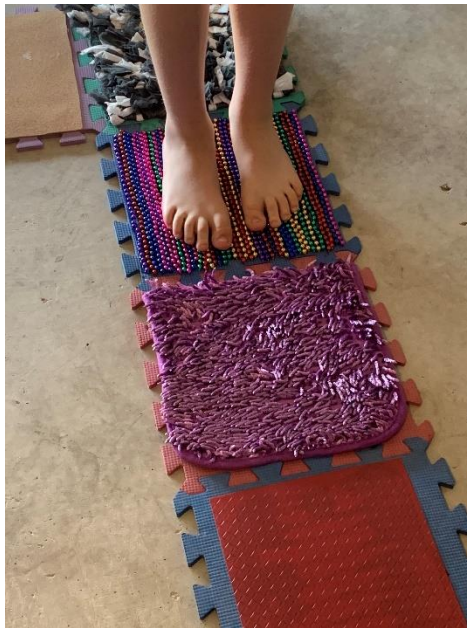
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Alphabet Soup and Braille Muffins

This early literacy activity reinforces initial letter sounds in a fun and playful way for beginning braille readers.

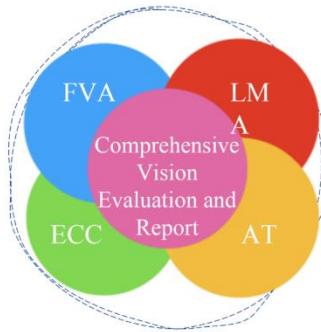
[More on Pretend Recipe](#)



Texture Walk for Sensory Exploration

Texture walks and sensory exploration can be a way to develop tactile discrimination in the hands and feet, while broadening basic concepts, such as soft/hard and rough/smooth. Children may enjoy exploring while walking, crawling, sitting or touching with their hands the different textures. The sensory input may be calming to some students, and stimulating to others.

[More on Texture Walk](#)



FVLM(t)A [ECC]: Comprehensive Evaluation and Reports for Blind and Low Vision Students

This recorded webinar reviews the components of a comprehensive evaluation as required for determining educational vision services for students who are blind or who have low vision: The FVA (Functional Vision Assessment), LMA (Learning Media Assessment), AT (Access/Assistive Technology), and the ECC (Expanded Core Curriculum).

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Tying Shoelaces: Task Analysis

Learning to tie shoes can be a challenge for any child and is often a difficult skill for those with visual impairments to master. The task is broken down into small steps below, and is demonstrated in the video, to provide clear step-by-step directions to teach this skill.

[Read more on Tying Shoelaces](#)



Kentucky Deafblind Derby Dash Virtual 5K!

The Kentucky DeafBlind Project is sponsoring the Virtual KY DeafBlind Derby Dash. Let's celebrate together and run, walk, crawl, hike, use the treadmill, wheelchair, or jump the KY DeafBlind Derby Dash! This is a virtual race that can be completed over a full week or in one day. The race will be held during the week of May 24-30 with fun events happening the week before.

[Learn How to Enter Derby Dash](#)

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Tuesday Tea with A.T.

The Assistive Technology team from California School for the Blind will be offering this forum to ask questions and share resources with your professional colleagues about assistive technology.

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