**THINGS IN MY KAIĀULU**

Infants are being introduced to new things every day! You are their safe place as they explore and grow. Read this book, then point out similar objects in your kaiāulu.

**KEIKI DEVELOPMENT:**
- Using fingers to point, reach and grasp
- Understanding the meaning of words

**‘ŌLELO HAWAI‘I:**
- Ānuenue- Rainbow
- Mea ‘ai- Food

**MATERIALS:**
- Book: "Alohaland" by Keiki Kaukau
- Real life objects from the book

**INSTRUCTIONS:**
1. Read the book, "Alohaland" with your infant.
2. Point to each picture and name the item in English and ‘ōlelo Hawai‘i.
3. Encourage your infant to turn the page and point to items they want you to repeat.
4. Throughout the day, make real-world connections. When you see a rainbow in the sky, point to it and say, "Rainbow! Ānuenue!" When you sit down for lunch, point to your meal and say, "Food! Mea ‘ai."

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A LEI FOR YOU

In Hawai‘i, we celebrate people in our kaiāulu with a lei! We make lei from flowers, candy, or even money. What will be the occasion to make a lei today?

KEIKI DEVELOPMENT:
- Social connection
- Beginning patterning

‘ŌLELO HAWAI‘I:
- Makana- Gift
- Pua- Flower

MATATERIALS:
- Book: "The Lei Book" by Keiki Kaukau
- Ribbon, leaves, pua, toilet paper rolls

INSTRUCTIONS:
1. Read the book, "The Lei Book" with your toddler.
2. Collect various materials you can punch a hole through and string, e.g., large leaves, painted toilet paper rolls cut into rings, pua, etc.
3. Experiment making lei with simple patterns, e.g., leaf, pua, leaf, pua.
4. Encourage your toddler to think of their lei as a makana and gift it to someone in their kaiāulu.

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**LINA POEPOE OF MY KAIĀULU**

Our kaiāulu is made up of many kanaka we love and appreciate. Read this book and explore the circles of kanaka in your kaiāulu.

**KEIKI DEVELOPMENT:**
- Beginning awareness of kaiāulu
- Jumping with two feet

**‘ŌLELO HAWAI‘I:**
- Lina poepoe- Circle
- Kanaka- People

**MATERIALS:**
- Book: "The Circles All Around Us" by Brad Montague
- Sidewalk chalk

**INSTRUCTIONS:**
1. Read "The Circles All Around Us" together.
2. Find a sidewalk or driveway you can draw on.
3. Draw a lina poepoe with sidewalk chalk. Have your preschooler draw the kanaka in their close lina poepoe, e.g., ‘ohana, babysitter, friend etc.
4. Draw larger lina poepoe and have your preschooler add others from their kaiāulu, e.g., community helpers, neighbors, teachers, etc.
5. Encourage your preschooler to visit those in their kaiāulu by jumping in and out of the different lina poepoe.

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