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Access the Resources Library

Teachers can share Development and Learning activities and LearningGames® with family members via the Resources Library found within the Family area.

Development and Learning Activities

Teachers will search for Development and Learning activities to share with families by age or class/grade and/or by area(s) of development and learning. To search for Development and Learning activities to share with family members:

- 1 In the Family area, select **FAMILY ENGAGEMENT**.
- 2 Select **ACCESS THE RESOURCES LIBRARY** in the left-hand navigation.
- 3 The Resource Type should be set to "Development and Learning Activities." Select an **AGE OR CLASS/GRADE**.

- 4 Select one or more **AREA(S) OF DEVELOPMENT AND LEARNING**.

- 5 Select **SUBMIT**.

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Activities with a primary objective that fall within the selected area of development and learning that are appropriate for children on the selected age of class/grade will appear on the following screen. These activities will be listed in English, and where linguistically appropriate, in Spanish.

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Select **VIEW** to preview or print the activity.

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Select **SHARE** to share the activity with family members.

The screenshot displays the MyTeachingStrategies interface. At the top, there are navigation icons for Teach, Assess, Develop, Report, and Family. The user is logged in as 'Preschool SJ'. The main content area is titled 'Resources Library: Development and Learning Activities'. It contains a table with the following data:

| Activity Title | Area of Development & Learning | Age or Class/Grade | View | Share |
|-----------------------------|--------------------------------|-------------------------|------|-------|
| Active Listening (English) | Social-Emotional | Preschool 3 class/grade | View | Share |
| Give Me the Words (English) | Social-Emotional | Preschool 3 class/grade | View | Share |
| Let's Do This Instead | Social-Emotional | Preschool 3 | View | |

On the right side, there is a 'Resources Summary' panel with the following details:

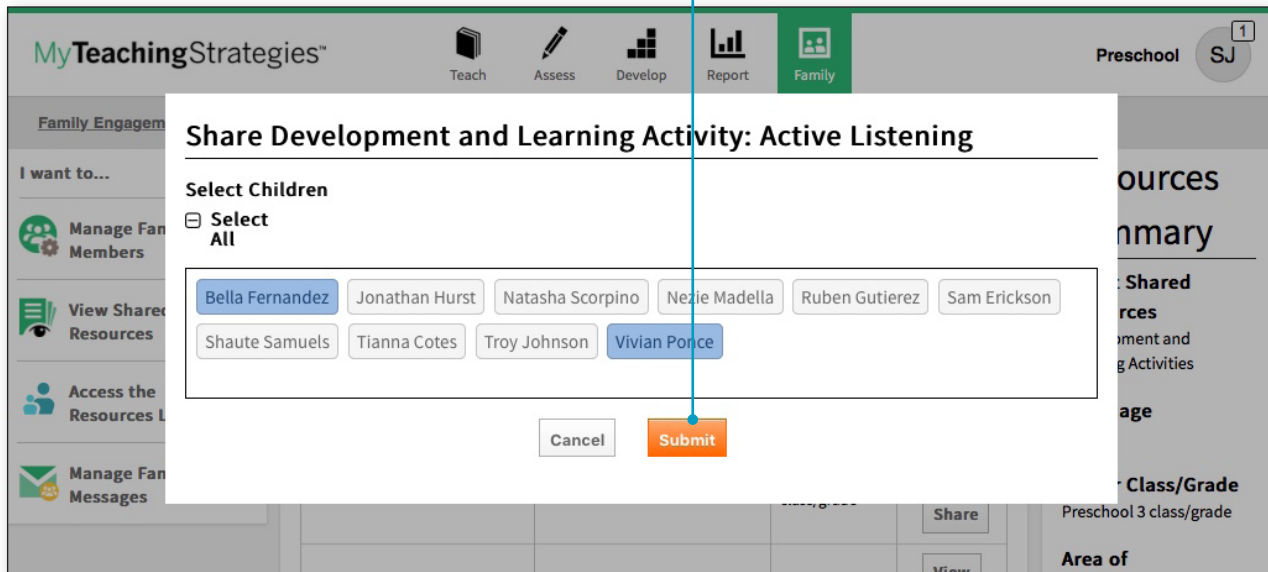
- Select Shared Resources:** Development and Learning Activities
- Language:** English
- Age or Class/Grade:** Preschool 3 class/grade
- Area of Development and Learning:** Social-Emotional, Physical

An inset window shows a preview of the 'Active Listening' activity document. The document includes the following sections:

- Primary Objectives:** 1a. Manages feelings
- Why It's Important:** Using active listening with your child lets him know that his feelings are being understood, even if he can't verbalize them yet. When your child displays a strong emotion, active listening teaches him language that will help him eventually verbalize his feelings. This strategy also supports his development of empathy, helps diffuse emotional situations, and lets your child know that you care.
- Materials:** None
- What You Do:**
 - When your child shows strong emotions, get down to his eye level. Make eye contact and offer a gentle touch to let him know that you are listening.
 - If your child is not able to express himself verbally, you may have to talk about what you see and assess his feelings about the situation. *You are frowning at Michael's pile of blocks. Are you trying to tell him that you would like to have some of his blocks to play with?*
 - If your child talks, repeat his words in language he can understand while reflecting his tone. *You want that truck! You really want that truck!* (Say this as you scrunch up your nose and furrow your brow.)
 - Name and explain his feelings. *You are angry because Tommy has that truck.*
 - Help your child put his feelings and needs into words, if possible.

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- 8 Select children whose family members should receive the activity, then select **SUBMIT**.



- 9 The activity will be shared with the selected children's family members.

