Hot Dots® Jr. Cards: Beginning Problem Solving

The Hot Dots® Jr. Problem Solving cards prepare children for classroom learning in a fun, interactive way. This set helps early learners understand and explore home, community and school environments while applying problem-solving skills such as matching items that go together and determining cause and effect. Use the cards with “Ace”—the Talking, Teaching Dog™ or “Kat”—the Talking, Teaching Kitty™ (both sold separately) for an interactive, independent learning experience.

What’s on Each Card?
- Directions
- Card number
- Hot Dots® answer choices

Using the Cards with “Ace”—the Talking, Teaching Dog or “Kat”—the Talking, Teaching Kitty

Ace or Kat (sold separately) add instant, self-checking feedback to independent practice. When the cards are used with Ace or Kat, children receive electronic answer reinforcement in two ways:

- Touch a CORRECT answer dot on the card and children are instantly rewarded with a glowing green light, a cool phrase, and a variety of motivating sounds. Sometimes the pen will even shake and giggle!
- Touch an INCORRECT answer dot on the card and the pen glows red and gently provides encouraging words and sound effects.
Before letting children work independently, demonstrate how to use the cards and the pen. Choose a sample card, read the directions, and select the correct answer choice. Show children how to position the pen on the center of the answer dot next to the answer choice. Demonstrate what happens when an incorrect Hot Dot answer choice is selected.

**Tips:**

- Make sure the cards rest on a hard surface when using the pen on them.
- Never laminate the cards.

**Using the Cards as Traditional Flash Cards**

Hold up a card with the question facing the child. Have the child identify the picture or letter and then say the answer. The answer for each question is shown on the Answer Key.

**How to Position Ace or Kat**

Ace and Kat work best when they’re straight up and down. Make sure the tip of the pen sits flat on the surface of the answer dot.

EI-2350 “Ace”—the Talking, Teaching Dog sold separately
EI-2349 “Kat”—the Talking, Teaching Kitty sold separately