

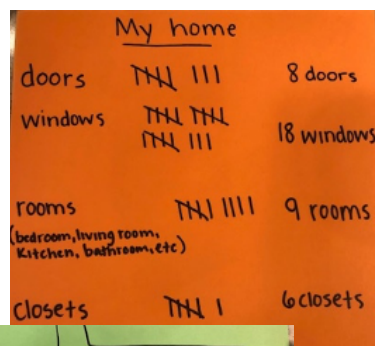
Map of My Home

What to do:

- Show a variety of maps to your child.
- You can explain to your child:
 - We use maps for many reasons.
 - A map of a home or building is called a “blueprint.”
 - You can use maps you have or find maps online
- Talk about your home and the rooms in your home.
- Give your child a piece of paper and writing utensil and go through your home making your own blueprint.
- Go into each room, guide your child to draw parts of the room.
 - Windows
 - Doors
 - Walls
 - Furniture

Materials:

- Writing utensil
- Paper
- Resources: phone or computer to look at examples of maps and blueprints



Extend the Activity

- On another piece of paper, count how many doors, windows, and rooms your home has.
- Use tally marks or Xs.
- If you use tally marks, explain how you make four lines and then a diagonal line across the four lines for the fifth mark.
- Then after you are finished counting, you can see the total and compare.
- Do we have more doors or windows?
- Which room had the most windows?

Activity targets:

- Uses writing and drawing tools
- Uses and expands vocabulary
- Demonstrates simple geographic knowledge