HOME: THE REAL LABORATORY OF LEARNING

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Education of a child begins at home. When a child is under two or four years old, he or she learns to pronounce his name through the basal approach of the parents. Simply asking her or him “What’s your name?”, ”How old are you?”, is opening the horizon of a child in a life-long learning.

In the kitchen, when mother prepares food, she can teach a lot to her child. Simply observing the things in the kitchen, mother can teach the word “dozen” by letting the child count the 12 eggs in the tray.

In preparing juice for the child, mother can teach the word “solvent” and “solute”. Mother can demonstrate solution by dissolving powdered orange in ordinary tap water or cold water. Therefore, the child begins to know that powdered orange is the solute and tap or cold water is the solvent. The by-product of stirring is solution.

Observing fruits in the dining area, the child can start learning that matter undergoes physical or chemical change.

If only parents would really educate their children, there are so many things to learn at home which is the real laboratory of learning.