



Learning through listening

Dear parents, students of the school and kindergarten,

Welcome to the monthly newsletter. Each month has a theme and this month we will concentrate on learning through listening.

It doesn't always have to be a book to consolidate language and learned words. Children can also be provided with radio plays in a daily routine, such as during a rest phase or simply while playing. Children's songs to sing along are also motivating, because singing makes you happy - and courageous to say the words of an unfamiliar language. Stories and songs are absorbed much more intensely through listening, without being distracted by a screen. Advantages of audios are that the sense of hearing is sharpened; but the imagination is also encouraged, since figures, places, etc. are only described, as with the TV or tablet, where children usually just passively interact.

We are also very happy to introduce you to our audio books and our newly acquired Tonie figures. Please remember CD rental fee is AED 1.00 per CD and Tonie Audio figures AED 5.00 per figure. A maximum lending period of these media is 2 weeks to ensure that other children also have the opportunity to borrow them. List of GISAD CDs can be found [here](#).

Toniebox und Tonie audio figures

"When listening and playing come together, something magical happens" is the motto of the Toniebox. We are very pleased to finally be able to welcome this audio system to our library. In contrast to CDs, the Tonie figures and the Toniebox are very robust and easy to handle. If the box is well charged, you can also take it with you in the car or in the garden. [Here](#) is a short video.

We currently have these Tonie figures, which can be rented for a fee of AED 5.00 per Tonie:



Book donations

We would also like to thank Leone and Theresa Fernandes for the numerous bags full of wonderful book donations. There were lots of ohhsss and ahhsss from us as we unpacked. Among other things, there were books from the "Why Why Why Why?" TipToi books and pen, as well as dragon coconut, first-time reader books and many more.

We appreciate this donation very much. Thanks.

Other audio recommendations

You can find children's radio plays, podcasts and children's radios under the following links - it's also very easy to play them in the car via Bluetooth via the car radio:

WDR radio plays for children:

<https://kinder.wdr.de/radio/kiraka/hoeren/podcast/index.html>

ARD audio library:

<https://www.ardaudiothek.de/rubrik/fuer-kinder/42914714/>

Children's classics:

<https://www.gratis-hoerspiele.de/genre/kinder/>

Short stories:

<https://diekurzgeschichte.de/>

Stories and Knowledge Spotcasts:

<https://www.ohrka.de/>

Broadcast with the mouse to listen to:

<https://www.wdrmaus.de/hoeren/>

Bakabu radio plays – language development through music:

<https://www.bakabu.at/singeland>

Children's radio:

Radio Teddy with children and German adult kits:

<https://www.radioteddy.de>

RADINO: Our favorite - pure children's radio with children's songs, children's news and stories:

<https://www.meinkinderradio.at/das-radio/mein-kinderradio-radino-stellen-sich-vor/>

To order books, please send an email to mediothek@gisad.ae or write to us via TEAMS (media library), and the ordered books or other media, if available, will then be given to your children.

Our June newsletter will focus on “Creating the right study place for my children”.

Thank you and stay healthy

Your Mediothek team – Miriam and Melanie