Help me get ready to write

Here’s what I need to get ready to BE A WRITER:

1. The chance to watch you write shopping lists, notes, and other stuff.

2. Lots of chances to write with you. I like to scribble, draw, and pretend-write with markers, crayons, sticks in the dirt.... and especially pencils and pens like grown-ups!

3. Encouragement to draw pictures with more and more details.

4. The chance to watch you write down stories I tell you, or the cute things I say, or about my feelings when I’m sad or happy.

5. Help learning to write the letters of my name. At First I’ll write them really big and all over the paper. Don’t worry, I’ll learn to write smaller and in a straight line by the time I’m 5 or 6 years old.

For more information about learning to read and write, call your local youth librarian or my friend Joan Laurion at Dane County UW Extension, 608-224-3722. UW Extension provides equal opportunities in employment and programming, including Title IX and ADA. Let us know if you need this material in an alternate format.