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Summary: This article discusses the importance of patterning in early mathematics study for young children and describes some patterning activities for pre-kindergarten classes to motivate young children to explore the mathematics through observing and creating their own patterns.

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