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Daily literacy-building activities to share with your child.





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SUNDAY

MONDAY

TUESDAY

WEDNESDAY

THURSD

FRIDAY

SATURDAY

WRITING

Using masking tape, write your child's name in large letters on the floor. Trace each letter by walking on it or by pushing a toy car.



PLAYING

Go for a walk outside, see if you can spot the following:

A Squirrel; A Car; A Tree; An Airplane

TALKING

Play show and tell to build speaking confidence. Everyone chooses something they're interested in and talks about it.

SINGING

Sing about what you are doina.

This is the way we eat our food, eat our food, eat our food. This is the way we put on our shoes, COUNTING

Have your child help you prepare a recipe by helping measure and count cups and spoonfuls.

READING

Write 'Yes' on one sticky note and 'No' on another. Ask your child questions and have them hold up the sticky note that matches their answer.

Practice drawing facial expressions. Draw a happy face, a sad face, a surprised

WRITING

face, an angry face, a silly

Pretend you and your child are diving in the ocean. What might you see? Describe the beautiful marine life you see.

PLAYING

9 TALKING

Point to and name body parts

Where is your mouth? Where are your ears? Where are your toes?



SINGING

Gather some household items to use as instruments. Have a fun parade marching around the house singing and making music.

COUNTING

Say or sing "Five Little Froggies."

(Words are on the back. (*)



12 READING

Show your child a selection of books. Ask which they'd like to read first. second, etc.



13 WRITING

Invite your child to help vou write an email or text message to a relative. Show how you pick out the letters on the keyboard.

14 PLAYING

Line up chairs and pretend to drive a city bus. Take turns driving and being the passenger. Call out the stops!

15 TALKING

Use a block to pretend to talk on the phone. Hand the block to your child and say, "They want to talk to you."

16 SINGING

Sing or say and act out "Here is the Beehive."

(Words are on the back. (*)

17 COUNTING

Use masking tape to measure yourself and your child on a wall. Compare the sizes. Who is taller? Who is shorter?

18 READING

Share what you are reading with your child. Read aloud a portion of a magazine, book, or newspaper that you are reading.

WRITING

Write a shopping list together. Take it to the store and check off the items as they are selected.

Pretend to be birds. and whistle

20 PLAYING

Flap your wings and tweet. Talk about your favorite birds.

21 TALKING

Spring is here! Talk about what to expect in Springtime like warmer weather, rain and mud, flowers and trees beginning to blossom.

22 SINGING

Sing and dance "The Hokey Pokev."

(Words and actions are on the back, (*)

23 COUNTING

30 READING

Take turns telling stories.

Build block towers, counting the blocks while you build.

Make labels for common items in your home.

24 READING

WRITING 31

Draw and decorate the alphabet together.

25 WRITING

Create a writing box together. Include paper and crayons. Decorate the outside and leave it within easy reach of your child.

26 PLAYING

Make a tent with sheets and furniture. Pretend you are camping. What do you see? What do you hear?

27 TALKING

Have your child "interview" family members or friends with fun questions. This encourages them to ask questions and listen actively.

28 SINGING

Create simple rhythmic patterns using claps, taps, and snaps. Ask your child to repeat the pattern.

29 COUNTING

Collect a variety of rocks and pebbles. Write numbers on each. Help your child put them in order.

Playing to learn new words.

Play is one of the best ways for children to learn language and literacy skills. Play helps children feel a sense of accomplishment and self-confidence. This motivates them to try new experiences and not to give up when something seems difficult. Also, it's fun!

FIVE LITTLE FROGGIES

Five little froggies sat on a shore. (Crouch like a frog)

One went for a swim, then there were four. (Pretend to leap and swim off)

Four little froggies (Crouch like a frog)

Looked out to sea.
(Put your hand at brow and look out to sea)

One went swimming, and then there were three. (Pretend to leap and swim off)

Three little froggies said, "What can we do?"

One jumped in the water, then there were two. (Pretend to leap and swim off)

Two little froggies sat in the sun. (Crouch like a froq)

One swam off, and then there was one. (Pretend to leap and swim off)

One little froggie said "This is no fun!"

He dived in the water, and then there were none!

HERE IS THE BEEHIVE

Here is the beehive. (Make a fist)
Where are the bees?
Hiding inside where nobody sees.
Watch them come creeping out of the hive,
One, two, three, four, five (Release one finger at a time from the fist/hive)
BUZZ-ZZZ (Wigale fingers)

THE HOKEY POKEY

You put your right foot in

You take your right foot out.

You put your right foot in

And you shake it all about.

You do the hokey pokey

And you turn yourself around.

That's what it's all about.

REPEAT WITH "LEFT FOOT," "RIGHT HAND," "LEFT HAND,"



Books to Read this Month

Check out these books at the library. If they are not available, ask the librarian for a recommendation.

FOR READERS AGES 0-3

A Spring Stroll in the City

by Cathy Goldberg Fishman

Pitter Pattern

by Joyce Hesselberth

FOR READERS AGES 3+

¡Vamos! Let's Go Eat!

by Raúl the Third

The Midnight Babies

by Isabel Greenberg

