

June 2022

Early Literacy Calendar



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SUNDAY

MONDAY

TUESDAY

WEDNESDAY

THURSDAY

FRIDAY

SATURDAY



Daily literacy-building activities to share with your child.

1 WRITING

Pick a letter of the alphabet and practice tracing it.

2 PLAYING

Play follow the leader. One person (the leader) performs actions the others must follow. Take turns being the leader.

3 TALKING

Point to and name body parts.
Where is your mouth? Where are your ears? Where are your toes?

4 SINGING

Sing a favorite song. Sing it fast. Sing it slow. Whisper it.

5 COUNTING

Draw numbers on the sidewalk with chalk. Say them as you step on them.

6 READING

Find out the details of your library's summer reading program.

7 WRITING

Play with play dough—it strengthens muscles needed for writing.

8 PLAYING

Go on a circle hunt! Make a list of all the circle-shaped items you find today.

9 TALKING

When reading a book today stop before you get to the end and ask your child what they think will happen next.

10 SINGING

You: ABCDEFG
Child: HIJKLMNP
Continue taking turns to finish the alphabet.

11 COUNTING

Ask questions about what is heavier.
Does an orange or a grape weigh more? Is Mom's shoe or your shoe heavier?

12 READING

Teach letter sounds by playing "I Spy."
I spy with my little eye something that begins with S. Yes! A spoon!

13 WRITING

Draw pictures together. Label the things you draw.

14 PLAYING

Play "Riddle Me."
I'm green and grow on trees. What am I?
Yes! I am leaves!

15 TALKING

Talk about fruit. Which are your favorites? Which do you have in your home?

16 SINGING

Make up a song about something that is familiar or interesting to your child.

17 COUNTING

Sing "The Ants Go Marching."
(Words are on the back) →

18 READING

Place pieces of paper with big letters written on them around the room. Help your child find them.

19 WRITING

Write your child's first name in big block letters. Color and decorate it together. Talk about each letter.

20 PLAYING

Play a rhyming game. Choose a word and then come up with as many rhyming words as you can.

21 TALKING

Take turns saying as many words as you can that rhyme with June.

22 SINGING

Play children's songs. Sing and dance together.

23 COUNTING

Cut a piece of toast in half. Say "Now we have two pieces the same size."

24 READING

As you read, point out a picture and talk about it.

25 WRITING

Make a list of things you liked best about this month.

26 PLAYING

Cut out large shapes—a square, a triangle, a circle—and place them on the floor. Take turns telling which shapes to step on.

27 TALKING

Talk about feelings you felt today. What made you laugh?

28 SINGING

Sing a favorite song. Sing it fast. Sing it slow. Whisper it.

29 COUNTING

Count to five as you hop up and down five times. Count five small steps. Count five big steps.

30 READING

Create your own storytime from home! Book lists and songs are on the back! →



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Good readers have a large vocabulary.

Knowing lots of words helps children better understand what they read.
You can help your children learn lots of words by:

- Having plenty of conversations. Take turns talking. It is important for you to ask questions and listen to what your children say in response.
- Read together! A lot!
- Make connections. Connect what you are reading in books to their lives.
"Yes, Grandma has a black cat, too."
- Repetition. Children often love to read the same book over and over.
This is a good thing as repeated readings help build vocabulary

ANTS GO MARCHING

The ants go marching one by one, hurrah, hurrah.
The ants go marching one by one, hurrah, hurrah.
The ants go marching one by one,
The little one stops to eat a plum.
And they all go marching down,
To the ground, to get out, of the rain.
BOOM BOOM BOOM

Two by two. Tie its shoe.
Three by three. Climb a tree.
Four by four. Shut the door.
Five by five. Take a dive.
Six by six. Pick up sticks.
Seven by seven. Tie a ribbon.
Eight by Eight. Close the gate.
Nine by Nine. Check the time.
Ten by Ten. Say THE END.

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 (Wiggle fingers)



Books to Read This Month

The following titles are available to borrow at ABWP library. To place a hold, search for the title on our online catalog and select "place hold". Be sure to select ABWP as your pick-up location!

For Readers Ages 0-3

One Wole Bunch

by Mary Meyer and Sara Gillingham

Dig In!

by April Jones Prince

For Readers Ages 3+

How to Read a Book

by Kwame Alexander

Mixed - A Colorful Story

by Arree Chung

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