

Daily Fun with Your Little One!

SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
 <p>1 Reading</p> <p>Happy April Fool's Day! Read <i>April Fool, Phyliss!</i> by Susanna Leonard Hill together.</p>	<p>2 Science</p> <p>It's Find a Rainbow Day. Hold a glass of water over a sheet of paper at a window with direct sunlight. Watch a rainbow form on the paper as light passes through the glass!</p>	<p>3 Sounds</p> <p>It's National Walking Day. Go outside and take a walk together around the neighborhood, and talk about the different sounds you hear.</p>	<p>4 Rhymes</p> <p>How many words can your child think of that rhyme with "spring"?</p>	<p>5 Songs</p> <p>Challenge your child to sing her favorite song by heart.</p>	<p>6 Reading</p> <p>Have your child help you read the grocery list while you are shopping.</p>	
<p>7 Science</p> <p>On National Handmade Day, make a homemade watering can by poking holes in the cap of a milk jug and decorating it. Then use it to water your plants.</p>	<p>8 Play</p> <p>On National Zoo Lovers Day, take a trip to a local zoo. Or create your own zoo with stuffed animals or animal crackers!</p>	<p>9 Math</p> <p>Send your child on a shape hunt in the living room. How many circles can he find?</p>	<p>10 Sounds</p> <p>On National Farm Animals Day, talk about the sounds different farm animals make.</p>	<p>11 Songs</p> <p>On National Pet Day, make up a song about your pet (or a friend's pet), and sing it to a familiar tune.</p>	<p>12 Science</p> <p>On Grilled Cheese Sandwich Day, make one together and talk about what happens to the bread and cheese as it cooks.</p>	<p>13 Reading</p> <p>On Thomas Jefferson Day, read <i>Thomas Jefferson Builds a Library</i> by Barb Rosenstock together.</p>
<p>14 Stories</p> <p>It's National Dolphin Day. Tell each other stories about a dolphin who learns to talk.</p>	<p>15 Rhymes</p> <p>Recite favorite nursery rhymes, such as "Jack and Jill" and "Humpty Dumpty."</p>	<p>16 Play</p> <p>Make puppets out of paper lunch bags and put on a puppet show together.</p>	<p>17 Writing</p> <p>It's National Bat Appreciation Day. Look at photos of bats online and draw your own bat pictures.</p>	<p>18 Math</p> <p>It's National Animal Crackers Day! Use the crackers to practice simple addition and subtraction problems. Then, enjoy a tasty snack!</p>	<p>19 Stories</p> <p>Before reading your child's favorite book, ask him to tell you the story in his own words.</p>	<p>20 Songs</p> <p>Make up a silly song together while you are making dinner.</p>
<p>21 Reading</p> <p>Read <i>Pete the Cat: Big Easter Adventure</i> by Kimberly and James Dean together.</p>	<p>22 Math</p> <p>It's National Jelly Bean Day. Have your child sort a pile of jelly beans by color.</p>	<p>23 Writing</p> <p>Have your child pick up pieces of rice using a pair of tweezers.</p>	<p>24 Play</p> <p>Pretend that your living room is a movie theater. Invite all of your child's dolls to watch a movie at the theater. Make sure they buy tickets and order snacks!</p>	<p>25 Rhymes</p> <p>It's Poem in Your Pocket Day. Together, write a simple rhyming poem about spring.</p>	<p>26 Sounds</p> <p>On National Pretzel Day, ask your child how many other words she can think of that have the same beginning sound as "pretzel."</p>	<p>27 Stories</p> <p>On National Tell a Story Day, tell your child a story about something you did when you were his age.</p>
<p>28 Math</p> <p>Ask your child to count the number of blue objects she sees in a room of the house.</p>	<p>29 Writing</p> <p>Have your child write his name, using a different color for every letter.</p>	<p>30 Science</p> <p>It's National Oatmeal Cookie Day, bake a batch together and talk about what happens to the batter as it bakes in the oven.</p>	<p>Help your child get ready to learn to read!</p> <p>Each day features a fun activity that will help your child build pre-reading skills. Activities are color-coded by skill. Ask your children's librarian for more ideas on how to promote early literacy skills with daily activities at home.</p>			

