

Daily Fun with Your Little One!

SUNDAY



MONDAY

TUESDAY

WEDNESDAY

THURSDAY

FRIDAY

SATURDAY

Help your child get ready to learn to read!

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.

1 Reading

It's April Fool's Day! Read a silly book together, such as *Silly Suzy Goose* by Petr Horacek.

2 Writing

It's National Peanut Butter and Jelly Day. Celebrate by drawing pictures of the silliest PB and Js you can think of!

3 Science

It's Find a Rainbow Day. Hold a glass of water over a sheet of paper at a sunny window. Watch a rainbow form on the paper as light passes through the glass!

4 Sounds

While at the park, sit quietly for one minute. Then, talk about all of the sounds you heard.

5 Songs

Play some of your child's favorite songs and have a dance party in the living room.

6 Play

Get out your favorite board game, but play it with your own rules.

7 Math

Hide Easter eggs around your yard or living room, and see how many your child can find. Count the eggs when she is finished.

8 Writing

On National Zoo Lovers Day, have your child draw a picture of his favorite animal at the zoo.

9 Reading

On National Unicorn Day, read *Unicorn Day* by Diana Murray together.

10 Songs

On National Farm Animals Day, sing "Old MacDonald Had a Farm" together.

11 Stories

On National Pet Day, tell your child a story about a pet you had when you were growing up.

12 Science

It's National Grilled Cheese Sandwich Day. Make one together, and talk about what happens to the cheese as it cooks.

13 Rhymes

Recite favorite nursery rhymes together, such as "Jack and Jill" and "Humpty Dumpty."

14 Reading

On National Dolphin Day, go to the library and check out a nonfiction book about dolphins.

15 Songs

Sing your own version of a favorite song together.

16 Writing

Help your child write a message to a loved one in a blank greeting card. Mail or deliver the card together.

17 Sounds

How many words can your child think of that have the same ending sound as "bunny"?

18 Math

On National Animal Crackers Day, use animal crackers to practice simple math problems.

19 Stories

Have your child tell you her own version of her favorite story.

20 Songs

As you prepare a meal, sing a song together about what you are doing.

21 Science

Walk in your backyard or visit a park and talk about all of the plants and flowers that are blooming.

22 Math

On National Jelly Bean Day, have your child use jelly beans to practice sorting objects by color.

23 Play

It's National Picnic Day. Celebrate by having a picnic, outside or in the living room, with your child and his stuffed animals!

24 Rhymes

Write down the words "dog," "cat," "pig," and "cow." Can your child think of a rhyming word for each animal?

25 Reading

Watch a show with closed captioning together.

26 Math

It's National Pretzel Day. Spread out an assortment of pretzels on a table and use them to practice making patterns.

27 Stories

On National Tell a Story Day, have your child tell you a story about a happy memory.

28 Play

It's National Superhero Day! Pretend you and your child are superheroes, and play a game together.

29 Sounds

Flip through a magazine and point to different pictures. Ask your child to tell you what sound the object or animal in the picture makes.

30 Writing

In the morning, have your child help you write a to-do list for the day.

