

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 Math

It's Second Half of the Year Day! Practice dividing things in half, like a sandwich, fruit, and so on.

2 Stories

In honor of World UFO Day, ask your child to tell you a story about an alien who visits Earth.

3 Sounds

Celebrate Hop-a-Park Day by visiting different local parks and talking about the sounds you hear. Compare them to the sounds at home.

4 Reading

Happy 4th of July! Read *Apple Pie 4th of July* by Janet S. Wong, illustrated by Caldecott Medal winner Margaret Chodos-Irvine.

5 Play

National Graham Cracker Day is the perfect time to build a graham cracker castle! Use peanut butter to keep the pieces in place.

6 Stories

Cut out a few pictures from magazines and show them to your child. Have her tell you a story based on the pictures.

7 Science

It's National Macaroni Day! Make some mac & cheese together and talk about what's happening to the ingredients at each step.

8 Writing

Set out Q-tips and paint in various colors. Have your child paint a picture using Q-tips.

9 Songs

Pick out some fun music. Ask kids to dance when it plays and freeze when it's paused.

10 Math

Draw several shapes on pieces of paper. Ask your child to lay colorful yarn down along the border of each shape.

11 Science

Perform a leak-proof bag experiment. Fill a gallon-sized baggy with water. Push sharp pencils through, in one side and out the other. No leaks!

12 Play

It's National Paper Bag Day. Make paper bag puppets and put on a show!

13 Sounds

Go on a treasure hunt in your house for things that start with the letter C.

14 Math

On National Tape Measure Day, help your child measure different objects. Compare the lengths of the objects.

15 Rhymes

On I Love Horses Day, ask your child what sound horses make. Brainstorm words that rhyme with "neigh" – like "hay"!

16 Writing

Have your child draw a picture to represent the weather for the day (such as a sun, raindrops, or clouds). Keep it up all week!

17 Stories

As you read a book with your child on World Emoji Day, ask him to choose emojis representing how the characters feel at different moments.

18 Stories

Ask your child to tell you a story about an animal who goes on an exciting summer vacation.

19 Rhymes

Share your favorite nursery rhyme from your childhood.

20 Science

It's National Moon Day! Arrange eight round crackers or cookies in a row to represent the phases of the moon and cut away the right amount from each.

21 Sounds

Ask your child, "What are your favorite sounds that we only hear in the summer?"

22 Songs

Act out the lyrics to familiar songs like "Row, Row, Row Your Boat."

23 Play

Make a ring toss set. Cut the centers out of paper plates and secure an empty cardboard tube to the floor. Decorate the rings before playing!

24 Reading

It's National Cousins Day. Celebrate by reading *Dozens of Cousins* by Shutta Crum.

25 Play

On Merry-Go-Round Day, go to the park and play!

26 Writing

Write a series of letters or numbers on a piece of paper. Have your child trace them with crayons, using a different color for consonants and vowels.

27 Songs

While getting ready for bed, sing a song about going to sleep.

28 Reading

Look at a calendar together and help your child read the names of the months.

29 Math

Think of a number 1-10. Have your child guess and say "higher" or "lower" until she gets it right.

30 Rhymes

How many words can your child think of that rhyme with the word "hot"?

31 Writing

Have your child draw a picture of his favorite animal. Help him write the name of the animal on the paper.