September 2023

Daily literacy-building activities to share with your child

sunday

monday

tuesday

wednesday

thursday

friday

1 TALKING

Ask your child to describe today's weather.

saturday

2 PLAYING

Play with building blocks. What shapes can your child make?

3 PLAYING

Blow bubbles today. This strengthens muscles needed for speech. 4 WRITING

Use chalk to draw on the pavement outside.

LABOR DAY

5 FREE!

Check out a book of poetry from the nonfiction section to read with your child.

6 READING

It's National Read A Book Day! Snuggle up with your child and read their favorite book. 7 TALKING

At bedtime, talk about where various animals sleep at night.

8 PLAYING

Use a paper lunch bag to make a puppet and tell a story.

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9 SINGING

Sing a "good morning" song to greet your child in the mornings.

10 WRITING

Celebrate
Grandparents Day by
making a special card
with your child, then
deliver it.

11 FREE!

Sign up for Storytime at your local library. 12 READING

Search for the first letter of your last name in a book as you read. 13 TALKING

Talk about the sounds you hear during the day. Challenge your child to imitate them.

14 PLAYING

Play I Spy, giving the first letter of the object as a clue. I spy something that begins with B ... Yes, a book! 15 SINGING

Sing your child's favorite song in a silly monster voice together.

16 WRITING

Draw an outline of your child's hand on a piece of paper. Have them "sign" it.

17 FREE!

Count the beds in your house. Which one is the biggest? Which one is the smallest?

18 READING

Relate the story in a book to your child's experiences.
"Remember when you saw that big dog?"

19 TALKING

Arrrr! Practice your pirate lingo with your child on Talk Like A Pirate Day.

20 PLAYING

Play "Echo Me": Clap, stomp, or beat a drum and have your child repeat the sound. 21 SINGING

Sing or say "The Three Little Kittens." Words on back page 22 WRITING

Draw pictures of your favorite foods with your child.

23 PLAYING

It's National Family Health and Fitness Day! Spend the day playing at your local park.

24 READING

Cut alphabet letters out of magazines or newspapers and make words.

25 TALKING

Talk about a fruit or vegetable your child loves. How does it look, taste, and smell? 26 PLAYING

Play with measuring cups. Which cup holds the most? Which holds the least?

27 SINGING

At bedtime, sing a song with your child about what you did today.

28 WRITING

Write your family member's names, then count how many people are listed. 29 PLAYING

Play "Follow The Leader" outside. Take turns being the leader. 30 SINGING

Have a family singalong.
Each person gets to pick a favorite song.



Save your spot at Storytime today!

Scan QR code, call 704-283-8184 or register at any library location.



THE THREE LITTLE KITTENS

The three little kittens, they lost their mittens,

And they began to cry, "Oh, mother dear, we sadly fear, That we have lost our mittens."

"You lost your mittens? You poor little kittens.

Well, let us have some pie.

Meow, Meow, Meow
Let us have some pie.

PAPER BAG PUPPETS

YOU WILL NEED:

- CRAYONS OR MARKERS
- SMALL PAPER BAGS, LIKE LUNCH BAGS
- YARN OR RIBBON
- GLUE STICK



DIRECTIONS:

- 1. USE YOUR CRAYONS AND MARKERS TO CREATE A FACE ON THE BOTTOM OF YOUR PAPER BAG.
- 2. USE GLUE AND YARN OR RIBBON TO MAKE HAIR. YOU CAN ALSO DRAW YOUR PUPPET'S HAIR.
- 3. COLOR IN THE BOTTOM PART OF YOUR PUPPET TO MAKE CLOTHES.
- 4. PUT YOUR HAND INSIDE THE BAG AND PUT ON A PUPPET SHOW.