

October 2023

Literacy-building activities
for you to do with your child

sunday monday tuesday wednesday thursday friday saturday

1 READING Hold a book upside down with your child. Talk about what is "wrong" with the way you are reading it.	2 TALKING Count and talk about how many trees are changing color with your child.	3 SINGING Sing itsy bitsy spider together. (Words are on the back. 🐸)	4 FREE! National Kindness to Animals Day! Talk about your child's favorite animal! What sounds do they make?	5 PLAYING Read a book about your child's favorite animal. Pretend both of you are that animal!	6 WRITING Help your child trace the outline of a leaf on paper using a crayon.	7 READING Pick out a book and look at the cover together. Make predictions about what the book might be about.
8 TALKING Think and talk about rhyming words with your child. <i>Ex: hat/cat/bat; pig/wig/jig</i>	9 SINGING Take turns singing parts of the alphabet song.	10 FREE! World Mental Health Day! Take some deep breaths together and do something that makes you both happy!	11 PLAYING Take a walk around your neighborhood together and play a game of "I spy".	12 WRITING Write a message to someone important with your child.	13 READING Read an alphabet book together.	14 TALKING Smell different things with your child and talk about them together. Which scents do you both like or dislike?
15 SINGING Recite the rhyme "Pumpkin, Pumpkin" together! (Words are on the back. 🐸)	16 FREE! Visit any UC Library and check out books about pumpkins or fall!	17 PLAYING Make a tent with sheets and furniture. Pretend to camp with your child. What do they see and hear?	18 WRITING Have your child draw a picture of a pumpkin.	19 READING Have your child look for letters on license plates today. How many do they see?	20 TALKING Look in a mirror together and make faces for different emotions.	21 SINGING Make up songs about what you and your child are doing and sing together.
22 FREE! Take a walk with your child, identify colored leaves.	23 PLAYING Together, make puppets out of paper bags or old socks. Put on a puppet show!	24 WRITING Have your child trace an alphabet letter using their finger, then a crayon or pencil.	25 READING Point out different words on signs and packages to your child.	26 TALKING Point out pictures in a book and ask your child what is happening.	27 SINGING Sing a song in a low voice; sing it in a high voice; sing it fast; sing it slow. Have your child do the same.	28 FREE! Visit any UC Library, check out 5 books!
29 WRITING Help develop your child's fine motor skills by dot painting with Q-Tips.	30 PLAYING Have your child dress up as their favorite book character!	31 MATH Count the pumpkins on the page with your child!				



Pumpkin, Pumpkin

Pumpkin, pumpkin
Sitting on a wall
Pumpkin, pumpkin
Tip and fall
Pumpkin, pumpkin
Rolling down the street
Pumpkin, pumpkin
Trick or Treat!



Itsy Bitsy Spider

"The itsy bitsy spider
crawled up the water spout.
Down came the rain, and
washed the spider out.
Out came the sun, and
dried up all the rain,
and the itsy bitsy spider
went up the spout again"



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register at any library location.