

# 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 **Sounds**

It's New Year's Day. Use noise makers to cheer and celebrate the new year.

2 **Writing**

Ask your child to draw a picture of his perfect wintery day.

3 **Science**

It's Drinking Straw Day. See how long you and your child can use the air from a straw to keep a piece of tissue paper up in the air.

4 **Reading**

It's Trivia Day. Read your child's favorite book and ask her simple questions about the plot and characters.

5 **Stories**

Ask your child to tell a story about what he would do if he were a dog.

6 **Play**

It's Technology Day. Play video games with your child and talk to her about the importance of moderation.

7 **Songs**

Sing with your child as you make breakfast together.

8 **Math**

While doing laundry, ask your child to sort the clothes by color.

9 **Science**

It's Static Electricity Day. Rub your child's hair with a balloon and explain why it stands on end.

10 **Reading**

Ask your child to point out different letters he sees as you're driving down the road.

11 **Rhymes**

It's Milk Day. Share a glass of milk with your child and take turns coming up with words that rhyme with drink, glass, and sip.

12 **Math**

Make snowballs with your child. Ask her to count out how many snowballs she throws before you're through.

13 **Writing**

It's Hobby Month. Ask your child to draw a picture of himself enjoying his favorite hobby.

14 **Sounds**

Make the sound of the wind with your child and pretend to blow over pillows.

15 **Play**

It's Hat Day. Ask your child to come up with an original character for every new hat he tries on.

16 **Rhymes**

Ask your child to think of words that rhyme with snow.

17 **Reading**

It's Martin Luther King, Jr.'s Birthday. Read *I am Brave* by Brad Meltzer and ask your child what her dream is for a better world.

18 **Stories**

It's Winnie the Pooh Day. Help your child create his own story about this beloved character.

19 **Songs**

Create an original song about building a snowman.

20 **Rhymes**

It's Oatmeal Month. Enjoy a bowl with your child and ask her to think of words that rhyme with oat.

21 **Sounds**

Tap out a beat on the counter and ask your child to imitate you.

22 **Stories**

Ask your child to tell a story about a day in the life of one of his stuffed animals.

23 **Writing**

It's Handwriting Day. Practice writing different letters.

24 **Songs**

It's Compliment Day. Invent a song that spreads joy and kindness.

25 **Play**

Make a blanket fort in the living room.

26 **Reading**

It's Soup Month. Read *Veggie Soup* by Dorothy Donohue and ask your child what she would put in her own soup.

27 **Science**

It's Chocolate Cake Day. Bake a chocolate cake with your child and explain what happens.

28 **Songs**

It's Kazoo Day. Compose a tune with your child and march in a parade together.

29 **Writing**

Ask your child to draw a picture from her favorite book.

30 **Play**

Play leapfrog outside in the snow with your child.

31 **Math**

It's Hot Chocolate Day. Ask your child to count the marshmallows you drop in her hot chocolate.

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