



I want my child to become a  
**SUCCESSFUL READER!**

We pledge to  
**TALK, SING, READ,**  
**WRITE and PLAY** every day!

# Here are some IDEAS for what YOU CAN DO to help get your child READY FOR READING!

**TALK:** ☒ Go on a walk in your neighborhood and talk about all the sounds you hear. ☒ Tell your child about a childhood pet of yours. ☒ Let your child use a flashlight in a dark room and talk about what you see.

**SING:** ☒ Sing the alphabet together and clap your hands to the beat. ☒ Put beans or rice inside an oatmeal container and tape shut. Shake your new shaker to the beat of a favorite song! ☒ Play music and move to the beat. Occasionally stop the music and freeze.

**READ:** ☒ Pick a letter and look for that letter around the room. ☒ Reread a favorite book. Leave out some words to see if your child can say them. ☒ Read a book and talk about the parts of the book: cover, title page, back, etc.

**WRITE:** ☒ Fill a cookie sheet with salt or sand and practice writing your initials. ☒ Make a grocery list together. ☒ Draw a picture and give it to someone you love!

**PLAY:** ☒ Crumple some paper balls and play a toss game into a basket. ☒ Have an imaginary birthday party for a stuffed animal. ☒ Pretend to be a dinosaur and stomp around the room!

**BONUS:** There are also digital tools available to you to help your child build literacy skills! Download the Build A Reader app in your app store (search "Tulsa City-County Library") and check out MORE activities by registering for Build A Reader on <http://tulsalibrary.beanstack.org>.

Thank you for participating in the  
**build a reader**  
program at the Tulsa City-County Library!

☐ YES, I want my child to receive a handwritten postcard in the mail from a library staff member welcoming him or her to the library. *(The library will NOT share your information.)*

☐ No thank you!

Name of child: \_\_\_\_\_

Address (optional): \_\_\_\_\_

Age of child: \_\_\_\_\_

Library location: \_\_\_\_\_

Give this card to a library staff member and receive a FREE Build A Reader booklet with more activity ideas!