

Daily literacy-building activities to share with your child.

SATURDAY

2 PLAYING

Have a scavenger hunt. Ask your child to find something round, square, red, blue, etc.

9 TALKING

Take an alphabet walk outside. Talk about things that begin with different letter sounds.

16 SINGING

Pick a new kind of music you haven't listened to before. Listen together. Discuss.

23 COUNTING

Go on a nature walk and count items you find, such as leaves, rocks, or flowers.

30 READING

Look at pictures in magazines or newspapers. Take turns telling stories about the pictures.

Create letters with playdough to improve fine motor skills.

Children's reading success in kindergarten and beyond begins with positive language and literacy experiences from the time they are infants.

- Young children have shorter attention spans. You can do activities for short bits of time throughout the day or whenever you have the chance.
- You can help your children learn in ways and at times that are best for them.
- Children learn best by doing—and they love doing things with YOU!

THE ITSY BITSY SPIDER

The itsy bitsy spider went up the water spout.

(Move fingers up toward sky)

Down came the rain and washed the spider out.

(Bring fingers down and back)

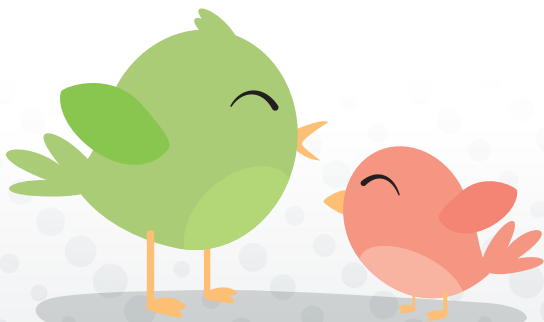
Out came the sun and dried up all the rain

(Move arms up over head)

And the itsy bitsy spider climbed up the spout again.

(Move fingers up toward sky)

REPEAT WITH "GREAT BIG SPIDER" USING A GRUFF, DEEP VOICE.



IF I WERE A BIRD

If I were a bird, I'd sing a song

And fly about the whole day long.

And when the night comes, go to rest,

Up in my cozy little nest.

SCARECROW, SCARECROW *Sing to the tune of "Twinkle, Twinkle, Little Star"*

Scarecrow, scarecrow, turn around,

Scarecrow, scarecrow, touch the ground.

Stand up tall and blink your eyes.

Raise your hands up to the sky.

Scarecrow, scarecrow, touch your toes.

Scarecrow, scarecrow, tap your nose.

Swing your arms so very slow,

Now real fast to scare the crows.

Raise your head, jump up and down.

Now sit down without a sound.

Books to Read this Month

Check out these books at the library. If they are not available, ask the librarian for a recommendation.

FOR READERS AGES 0-3

Frog - Little Lifecycles

by Maggie Li

Alma, Head to Toe/Alma, de pies a cabeza

by Juana Martinez Neal

FOR READERS AGES 3+

Bugs Everywhere

by Lily Murray

Dalmatian: A Mars Rover's Story

by Lucy Ruth Cummins

