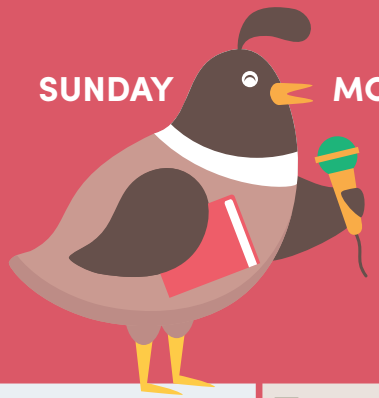


Daily Fun with Your Little One!



SUNDAY

MONDAY

TUESDAY

WEDNESDAY

THURSDAY

FRIDAY

SATURDAY

1

Play

It's Respect for Parents Day. Play a game of "Red Light, Green Light" with your child.

2

Math

It's Coloring Book Day. Help your child count the number of crayons she uses while coloring.

3

Play

It's Watermelon Day. Make watermelon play dough together using a recipe from the web.

4

Sounds

It's Clouded Leopard Day. Prowl around the house with your child making growling noises.

5

Writing

It's Work Like a Dog Day. Ask your child to draw a picture of a dog working at an office.

6

Math

It's Fresh Breath Day. Help your child measure how long it takes to brush his teeth at the end of the day.

7

Rhymes

It's Lighthouse Day. See how many words your child can rhyme with "light."

8

Stories

Ask your child to tell a story about his favorite thing he has done this summer.

9

Science

It's Book Lovers Day. Find a simple science book for kids and read it with your child.

10

Play

It's Lazy Day. Go outside with your child and lounge around on a lawn chair, hammock, or beach towel.

11

Writing

Have your child dip a Q-tip in paint and practice writing letters.

12

Play

It's Bowling Day. Set up a simple "bowling alley" in your house using rolled-up socks and empty toilet paper rolls.

13

Math

Bake cookies in different shapes using cookie cutters and have your child sort them by shape.

14

Songs

It's Navajo Code Talkers Day. Listen to traditional Navajo songs together.

15

Writing

It's Relaxation Day. Ask your child to draw a picture of her most relaxing day.

16

Reading

It's Airplane Day. Read *The Big Book of Airplanes* from DK Big Books with your child and find out what her favorite plane is and why.

17

Math

It's Black Cat Appreciation Day! Cut cat shapes out of black paper and tape them around your home. Ask your child to count how many he finds.

18

Rhymes

Read *What About Moose?* by Corey Rosen Schwartz and Rebecca J. Gomez.

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Reading

It's World Honeybee Day. Read *The Honeybee* by Kirsten Hall with your child and ask her to explain why the honeybee is so important.

20

Science

Poke holes in the lid of a jar and fill it with twigs and leaves. Capture a bug in a jar; ask your child to draw it and describe what it does. Then set the bug free!

21

Sounds

Show your child pictures from a magazine. Ask him what sound he thinks of when he sees the picture.

22

Songs

It's Tooth Fairy Day. Make up a song about the Tooth Fairy with your child.

23

Play

It's Ride the Wind Day. Make a paper airplane with your child and watch the wind take it away!

24

Reading

While at the grocery store, help your child read the words on the packages you place in the cart.

25

Math

Have your child help you put away the laundry. Ask her to describe each item as she puts it away (color, shape, etc.).

26

Science

It's Cherry Popsicle Day. Make these sweet treats with your child using fresh fruit, juice, or soda and talk about what freezing does.

27

Sounds

Go for a nature walk with your child. Talk to him about the sounds of animals he hears.

28

Stories

It's Thoughtful Day. Encourage your child to tell a story about how she was thoughtful during the week.

29

Play

Create a fake restaurant with your child. Have him take your order.

30

Reading

Read *The Thing Lou Couldn't Do* by Ashley Spires.

31

Math

It's Eat Outside Day. Ask your child to help set the table and have her count how many plates, forks, and cups she puts out.

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.

