



WEST BLOOMFIELD TOWNSHIP PUBLIC LIBRARY

JUNE 2022 Early Literacy At Home Learning

Help your child develop early literacy skills and Grow Up Reading™. Enjoy a fun, family activity each day that helps teach important pre-reading skills.

SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
			1 Talking It's National Say Something Nice Day. Tell someone something nice today.	2 Singing Pick a nursery rhyme to practice this month until you have it memorized.	3 Reading Pick 3 books to read together before bed.	4 Writing Practice cutting with scissors and scrap paper.
5 Counting Count groups of things in one room. For example, how many stuffed animals are in your bedroom?	6 Playing Build a tall tower out of blocks.	7 Talking Talk about the fun things you can do in the summer.	8 Singing It's World Ocean Day! Summer Reading 2022, Oceans of Possibilities will be starting soon! Sing <i>The Waves in the Sea</i> .	9 Reading Read a book about an ocean animal.	10 Writing Practice writing the name of your favorite animal. Draw a picture under the word.	11 Counting How high can you count?
12 Playing Play "I Spy" with objects in your backyard.	13 Talking Talk about the days of the week and the months of the year.	14 Singing Sing the song "BINGO" and change the name to "SUNNY".	15 Reading Read a book about summer.	16 Writing Use materials found around the house to make an underwater scene.	17 Counting Count the number of birds you see today out your window.	18 Playing Practice walking backwards.
19 Talking Talk about things you can do in warm weather that you can't do in the cold weather.	20 Singing Sing your favorite song to the birds, squirrels, or other animals you see outside today.	21 Reading It's National Seashell Day! Read a book about seashells or the beach to celebrate.	22 Writing Explore shadows outside and draw a shadow on paper or on the sidewalk.	23 Counting On National Pink Day count the number of pink things you see around the house.	24 Playing Take a trip to the neighborhood park.	25 Talking Take a walk and talk about the things you see.
26 Singing What words can rhyme with "sun"? Sing the words as you say them to make a silly song.	27 Reading Make up a story together. Take turns telling parts of the story.	28 Writing Paint with water outside on the ground.	29 Counting Cut a piece of fruit to share and count the pieces.	30 Playing Clean your toys and have fun at the same time! Place your toy animals in a tub of water and have fun cleaning them.	<p>GROW UP READING!</p> <p>@ the West Bloomfield Township Public Library</p> <p>www.growupreading.org</p>	

The Library partners with parents to help children Grow Up Reading™

Parents are a child's first teachers. Help your child develop essential early literacy skills and build a strong foundation for future reading success with these six powerful practices.

Talking | **Singing** | **Reading** | **Writing** | **Playing** | **Counting**

Grow Up Reading™ Tips for June: Playing & Counting

- Build physical activity into your family's daily routine. Try and make an evening routine that includes some form of physical activity together. It could be taking a walk, playing catch or riding a bike. If evenings don't work for your lifestyle, try and find another time of the day where you can be active together for 15 minutes a day.
- You can support your child's exploration by being an active role model. Engage in the play along with your child and demonstrate different ways of playing. Remember that it's not always essential that a child is playing with the "correct" movements or words, but learning to have fun while they are playing will lead to success later in developing their physical skills.
- Play the same games over and over with your child. While this may not be as entertaining for you as the adult, children learn through play. Therefore, repeating the same activities allows for them to "do it themselves" which brings confidence and joy and to reinforce the feelings, they will want to do it over and over again.

Book Suggestions for June:

Field trip to the ocean deep by John Hare

Captain Aquatica's awesome ocean by Jess Cramp with Grace Hill Smith and Joe Levit

Ocean life by Jill McDonald

Wow! Ocean! by Robert Neubecker

Ocean animals by Laaren Brown



The Waves in the Sea

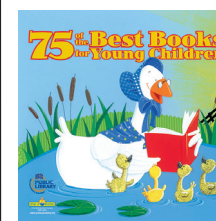
(sung to the tune of The Wheels on the Bus)

The waves in the sea go,
Up and down, ...
(make a rolling wave by moving one hand up and down)
Up and down,
Up and down,
The waves in the sea go,
Up and down,
All day long.

The sharks in the sea go,
Snap, snap, snap...
(hold two hands together, joined at the wrist, to form a mouth, snap open and shut)

The fish in the sea go,
Swish, swish, swish...
(swim hands around as fish)

The crabs in the sea go
Click, click, click...
(click fingers)



75 Books For Young Children

As a part of the 'Grow Up Reading' initiative, librarians at the West Bloomfield Township Public Library selected "75 Books to Read to the Very Young." These 75 books are divided into 5 categories: animals, bedtime, family, imagination, and on the go.

Visit the Grow Up Reading website at www.growupreading.org for more information.



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