

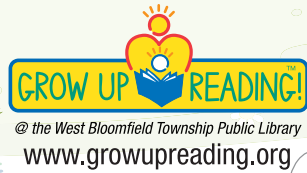


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SEPTEMBER 2019 Early Literacy At Home Learning

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 Talk about the things around you by playing I-Spy.	2 Singing Sing and dance to Head, Shoulders, Knees and Toes.	3 Reading Read a book with a green cover.	4 Writing Draw as many shapes as you can think of.	5 Counting Count on your fingers. How many fingers and toes do you have?	6 Playing It's National Read a Book Day! Read a book and act it out for family or friends.	7 Talking Visit the library to celebrate Grandparent's Day from 11 AM – 2 PM. Talk about the fun you had!	
8 Singing Sing Where is Thumbkin?	9 Reading Read under a blanket with a flashlight.	10 Writing Write the letters of the alphabet on a piece of paper.	11 Counting Stack and make patterns with toy blocks. Count the number of blocks you used.	12 Playing Have a tea party with your special toys or dolls.	13 Talking Talk about the sights, sounds and smells around you.	14 Singing Make up a song about apple picking.	
15 Reading Read a Curious George book this week to celebrate his birthday!	16 Writing Practice writing the letter "S" for September.	17 Counting Make your own snack mix. Count the different flavors you used.	18 Playing Play a game of Peek-A-Boo with a friend or family member.	19 Talking Practice spelling your name out loud.	20 Singing Sing a song from your favorite movie.	21 Reading Read a book you've never read before.	
22 Writing In observance of Elephant Appreciation Day draw a picture of an elephant today.	23 Counting Collect pictures of animals from books, magazines, etc. Count how many you find.	24 Playing Use yarn and tape to make an obstacle course in a hallway or room in your home.	25 Talking Talk about the weather outside today.	26 Singing Sing a song in your softest voice. Try it again in your loudest voice.	27 Reading Visit the Westacres Branch for Rock N Read storytime at 10 AM or 11 AM.	28 Writing Paint a picture with paints and mix them to make new colors.	
29 Counting Count the number of people in your house.	30 Playing Play with your family as you jump around the house.						



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™ for September: Reading and Playing

- Reading isn't the only way to help with your child's language and literacy development. Telling stories, singing songs and saying rhymes together are also great activities for early literacy skills.
- Make up your own stories or share family stories. Your child will learn words and develop language skills from the songs, stories and conversations you share together.
- Have a variety of materials to support your child's play. Having diverse play materials will help enrich your environment. Stories from books can be used to encourage play and placing a combination of different objects throughout the room can stimulate your child's creativity. Offering a range of materials—a variety of shapes and sizes of blocks, dolls and hand puppets, items from nature—increases the potential of exposing children to things they haven't experienced before.

Book Suggestions for September:

Curious George Goes to the Bookstore by Julie M. Bartynski

Tap the Magic Tree by Christie Matheson

Up, Up, Up! : It's Apple-Picking Time by Jody Fickes Shapiro

Louise the Big Cheese and the Back-to-School Smarty-Pants by Elise Primavera

If You're Groovy and You Know It, Hug a Friend by Eric Litwin



Where is Thumbkin?

Where is Thumbkin?
Where is Thumbkin?
Here I am!
Here I am!

How are you today, sir?
Very well, I thank you.
Run away.
Run away.

Where is Pointer?
Where is Pointer?
Here I am!
Here I am!

How are you today, sir?
Very well, I thank you.
Run away.
Run away.

Where is Middleman?
Where is Middleman?
Here I am!
Here I am!

How are you today, sir?
Very well, I thank you.
Run away.
Run away.

Where is Ringman?
Where is Ringman?
Here I am!
Here I am!

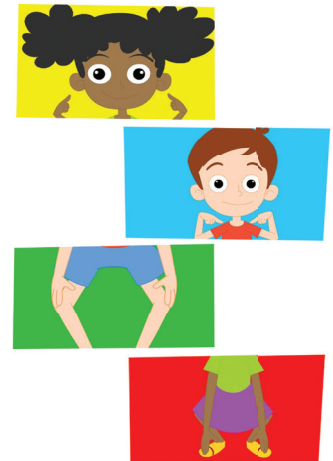
How are you today, sir?
Very well, I thank you.
Run away.
Run away.

Where is Pinkie?
Where is Pinkie?
Here I am!
Here I am!

How are you today, sir?
Very well, I thank you.
Run away.
Run away.

Head, Shoulders, Knees and Toes

Head, Shoulders, Knees and Toes
Head and shoulders knees and toes
Knees and toes
Head and shoulders knees and toes
Knees and toes
Ad eyes and ears
And mouth and nose
Head and shoulders knees and toes
Knees and toes



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